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INTRODUCTION.

The circumstances under which the revelations contained in this pamphlet, and in those that are to follow it were given, may be described as follows :

The writer, who may be more properly termed the amanuensis, being under treatment for illness by what is called a medium or clairvoyant, from time to time received through him communications purporting to come from many different historical personages, some of whom had lived many centuries since, thus in the Middle Ages, and down to the present time, comprising details of their lives upon earth, and of their experiences after death. The communications were given by the medium whilst in a state of trance. The spirit or intelligence speaking through him, always being the same, and relating what was stated to be told to him, as coming from each of the different spirits, as Constantine, Richard IIId, Alexander the VIth, Confucius, &c. The medium had had simply a common school education obtained at a country school previous to the age of fourteen, but as he stated, and as certainly appeared, had no knowledge of history ; so that even the names of most of those that the communications purported to come from, were unknown to him. *e.g.* He said he had seen the name of Lucretia Borgia on a play bill, (he did not say opera,) and knew nothing apparently of her history. As is common, the medium was entirely unconscious of what he had said during his trance, and manifested always a desire to hear and know what had been said by himself. The writer may be said to be of rather a skeptical turn of mind, and

has endeavored from time to time, by cross-questioning, and close observation, to determine if by possibility, the medium had, or could have a knowledge of historical matters, which were given. *e.g.*, the cross seen by Constantine, and other things which are familiar to readers of history and which were related by the medium, but of which he in the normal state knew nothing. The communications which were received, were so many, and so various, and comprised so many facts in history, and also descriptions of the state, condition and punishment after death, of those who are known in history as great criminals, (which certainly may be said to exceed in variety and ingenuity, the descriptions given by Dante ;) that on simply natural grounds, as we understand the laws of nature, it seems very difficult to account for them. The revelation must have come from the medium, who professed and so far as can be ascertained, is and was entirely ignorant of the matter related, or from the mind of the writer unconsciously ; or from some other and outside intelligence. Probably there may have been many other cases of a similar character, which the experience of other investigators may show.

But it may be presumed that there are none which have given so important revelations as are now to be described. During the time whilst the communications which have been mentioned were being given, it was stated that Jesus Christ was present, and from him were received revelations and directions which were consistent with the knowledge that we have of him from the Scriptures. After a time, it was stated as coming from him, that he would give through the medium, a narrative of his life, from the time of his birth to the time of his crucifixion. The conditions on which it was promised to be given were, that the writer should write it out, and that it be subjected to his supervision, and should then be published at the writer's expense, and that a limited number of copies should be distributed gratis to persons of independent minds who would favor reform, and to public libraries, and that the remainder of the edition should be disposed of at the cost of publication, anonymously.

The writer accepted these conditions, and this pamphlet, and those that are to follow it, will be what has been given through the medium, as coming directly from Jesus Christ. It is probable, and natural, that the revelations will be looked upon by many readers with incredulity. It will be admitted however, that the gravity and importance of them are such, that no amount of authority which could be possible, would add to the probability of their truth, any more than that the insignificance of the channel through which they come, would detract from it. The tree must be judged by its fruit, and if the statements and doctrines contained in this, and the series of pamphlets or tracts which are to follow it, agree, and uphold the doctrines taught in the New Testament, it may at least be supposed to come from a high and good source. The fact that the name of the writer, and that of the communicator or medium, is not to be made public, and that neither of them are to receive either profit or fame from the writings, but that on the contrary, a very considerable expense is incurred by their publication, will show that at any rate the object is a disinterested one. The whole of these matters are so strange and new, that some explanation may be needed to understand allusions, and portions of addresses that appear. It was stated through the medium, that within the last fifteen or twenty years only, have communications subsisted between the planets of our solar system, with each other, and with the sun of our system, and also with other suns, not only suns in what we call the milky-way, with Sirius and others, but with great suns as far beyond the milky-way as that is from us. And these suns described as being fifty, sixty, seventy-five, and eighty-five times larger than our sun, and increasing in size up to sixteen to seventy-six thousand times the size of our sun. As a rule, the inhabitants of the larger planets and suns, are described as being large also, somewhat in proportion to the size of the planet or sun to which they belong. *e.g.* Men of Jupiter are said to be ten feet in height, of our sun twelve feet, of Sirius about the same, of suns in the milky-way fourteen feet, and the great suns beyond, fifteen and sixteen up to twenty feet, whilst those of earth in the same proportion are six feet.

It will be shown in the revelations which are to follow, that at about the same time that our Saviour appeared upon the earth, Christs were also sent to other suns and planets, some of the very largest suns receiving a number of Christs, each corresponding somewhat in proportion to its size, some of the great suns having ten, and others fifteen and twenty-five Christs, whilst Mercury and Venus, and all of our system, had each one. Although in some cases the large suns also had but one Christ.

But it was conceded by all, that Jesus Christ was the superior to all, and the great object of the visits made to the earth by the Christs and rulers and their followers from the different suns and planets, was to learn from him secrets, which had been hid from the foundation of the world, and of their worlds.

The entrance or approach of Jesus was described in the beginning, as coming, preceded by the Apostles, and surrounded by children strewing flowers in his path, and singing hymns, and followed by the prophets, and patriarchs, and others. Always coming in from the north west, and proceeding down what appeared an inclined plane. Electricians, as they were termed, who acted as police, having first prepared a circle of fire, or rather of electricity, around the medium, having but one guarded entrance, through which none could pass but those having a certain degree of virtue. Outside of this circle were gathered a multitude of the lower spirits, who were attracted by the hope of seeing and hearing Jesus, and a long line of the lower spirits, outside of the circle, some three or four, even eleven hours previous to the time of meeting, stationed themselves kneeling on each side of the path that he was expected to take, hoping to receive from him a blessing, and that he might place his hand upon their heads as he passed along. And on the inside of the circle, on each side of the pathway, were kneeling figures, all desirous of receiving the blessing. His countenance and person were described as shedding forth light surpassing that of the sun. At the beginning the number of spirits was represented at from fifty to sixty thousand inside and outside of the circle, but as the Christs and rulers from other planets and suns appeared in the pro-

cession the numbers fast increased, and as the Christs from other planets and suns came, they were described as always being near to Jesus, (the light from them being inferior,) they also as they passed along blessing the kneeling multitude that lined the passage to the point where Jesus was to speak. As the revelations continued, great additions of numbers occurred, so that at the time that this introduction is written, the procession which came in was estimated at two hundred thousand, those already within the circle at two hundred thousand, and outside one hundred and fifty thousand, making upwards of half a million of spirits inside, and outside of the circle, and now at the date of this publication twenty-five hundred millions. As the procession approached, it was described as being attended by two bands of music, that were brought by the Christs and rulers of two of the great suns far beyond the milky-way, and the music was reported as far superior to any that our system produced. Later the musicians were numbered by thousands. At the commencement of the revelations, notes were taken only of the portion that was intended for the inhabitants of earth. But as the interest of the portion particularly addressed to the spiritual auditors deepened, it was proposed that notes should also be taken of the parts more directly addressed to them. Whence it will be observed, that after a time, each session is divided into the opening, the continuation, and the closing; the first and last of which are more or less directed to the audience of spirits, the preface that contains these having been written later.

It may well be asked, if these revelations are true and necessary to the world, why were they not brought forward before? And what reason have we to believe in them now?

It is alleged, that although communications have existed in a greater or less degree always between the spiritual and mortal world, that the means or medium by which they could be made, has not been reliable.

Suppose an individual to have the peculiar organization to fit him or her to convey the ideas of the spiritual world to the mortal. It appears that there is no law to prevent the evil, as well as the

good spiritual existences, to take possession of him or her. This being the case, it will be seen that it would follow that all kinds of contradictory assertions and statements would be made; spirits assuming to be Shakespeare, Byron, Webster, even Jesus himself, would occupy the medium, and give forth utterances which all can see could never have originated from these sources. And thence, as has become the case, most of the communications are looked upon by people of sense and judgment as unworthy of notice.

The peculiar conditions of this medium or communicator, are claimed to be, that having been born with an organization singularly fitted for the object, he was some twenty years since against his will compelled to act in obedience to the determination of certain high spiritual personages. These in number twelve, constantly kept around him a guard, and this guard being composed of virtuous and therefore powerful spirits, were enabled usually to exclude, and keep at bay, attempts that might be made by the lower and vicious spirits to control him, (although in more than one instance evil spirits managed to control him.) But this only happened accidently, and generally he was only under the supervision and control of the good. It is stated that some five or six years since, Jesus announced his intention of giving through this communicator (the name which he gives to him,) the narrative of his life.

And a number of persons were examined for the purpose of selecting one proper to act as an amanuensis, and the writer was finally determined upon. So that it is claimed that until this time, that there had been no opportunity when Jesus could safely give a narrative of his life and his teachings to mankind.

NOTE. — The original title composed by the writer was "Narrative of the History of Jesus Christ, purported to be Dictated by Himself," which was altered by his direction to the title which appears.

PREFACE.

In the extreme distance in the far north-west is seen descending an inclined plane, the procession. As it approaches, first is seen a band of two hundred musicians from one of the great suns, followed by many thousands of the Patriarchs, Prophets and others that have been eminent for virtue, and by many hundreds of children strewing flowers in the path of Jesus, who is accompanied by the Christs from the Suns and Planets that are here. Jesus is described as emitting light from his face and person that illuminates the whole surrounding space. These are followed by the apostles, and then another great band of music, and then a great multitude, not only from this Earth, but from the Suns and Planets, and intermingled are other bands of music, and they sing, "The worlds are all receiving light, are all receiving light." Jesus in opening says:

"Revelations are being delivered to all of the worlds, and suns, and planets in space, and are giving great joy to millions of people. For God is shewing Himself in all His works to all of His children. Through the movements of the Heavenly bodies, and through the manifestations of ponderous bodies upon the earth, laws which have hitherto been unknown and unexplained, will be made manifest. For I would have all know Him, then will they truly love Him. They shall find that there are no mysteries in His Godliness; all are as simple as the alphabetical character to the little child, when its meaning is understood. So shall all mysteries become simple and true in the souls of the children of men wherein He has revealed Himself by various types and characters upon the earth, so that they can walk therein and talk with Him upon every question and every subject concerning their inward nature, and he will unfold the answers to their souls in his book of laws, that they can worship Him throughout time in the earthly character, and throughout eternity in the spiritual being, and for this purpose would I give words to them this morning, which shall be as dew-drops of silver, that their souls shall become brightened for the more spiritual state of being. And I would cordially greet the visitors from the suns in the spirit of friendship, love, and truth, that all may have a spiritual feast together."

As a preface to the revelations that are to follow, Jesus says, "In speaking of myself, from the first principles of my birthright to

the present time, which has been so long obscured in the mysteries of the past, so as to cause grave doubts and dissensions among the Christian churches touching my birth, by the overshadowing by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, my mother, and my lawful nativity. It has been my wish for many hundred years, to give to the people inhabiting the earth, something regarding myself, informing mankind how this birth took place, and proving a positive law for it — also, why I was endowed with the superior powers that I possessed, and why I received the wonderful revelations from the Heavens, and expanded spiritual conceptions of men and things, which were expressed in the deep words of truth and wisdom that flowed through my mouth to teach the people, through which so many followed me independent of the priests or rulers.

"Also, I wished all men to know, that there are no miracles in creation, that everything is done through natural and Divine law. There are no mysteries of creation, or of Godliness; man only needs to realize the many mighty manifestations of his Heavenly Father to himself, to become quickened in spirit, which will unfold the senses of the body in its normal state, through which he may handle, and see perfectly the thoughts and workings of all souls that he comes in contact with, and the movements of all spiritual life in the many varieties and forms of matter.

"It has been essential in all time, for the good and advancement of mankind at large, that God should manifest Himself and come nearer to His people, and prior to my own coming and advent, (that is of the Christ) into the world, sages, wise men and prophets had appeared in different seasons of time, in different nations, to proclaim strange things to the people, and they continued to prepare the way for these many developments, that all things should work together for good, although diversified as they were in different worlds, by many classes of people, by many languages spoken, and by great variety of phenomena and manifestation through mind and in matter, each in its own order and time, having its due weight and bearing to the nation it was manifest in, and to the people that all of the revelations came to enlighten. For in all of the different

eras of time, from the animal man up to the intellectual and spiritual man, there existed great need of reformation from the darkened and mythological states, and transitory periods of time, to unfold his life and character, and the grand purposes for which he existed.

" Consequently all of the seers, soothsayers and prophets, became stepping stones to lead man up into the Divine temple, to know God and to worship Him, in spirit and in truth. Also to prophesy of the coming of one more spiritually advanced than they, and to prepare the minds of men to receive him.

"The announcement of the approach of such an one as Jesus, that is myself, endowed with the christ power, who would act as a mediator between the souls of men and their Father, God, who should have great power, so that apparently the laws of nature were subject to me, and that of gravity appeared to be obedient to my will, and also with fine spiritual influence to heal souls and bodies, created great consternation among the rulers of the land in which I was to appear; they fearing that I would destroy their power and rule."

CONCLUSION FIRST DAY.

"There is a time and season for all things, and each and every mind must be prepared for the coming of each event of life.

"Everything in the manifestations of God, He presents to His children in some form or type of language, and in so simple a manner, printed, spoken or heard, that the fool that runs therein shall not fail to gather some of its thought, and all may learn if they will the importance of its lesson to every day's doing, and may each and all fill up their measures full to the brim with spiritual happiness, that they shall love the bounteous giver that has done all for them so well. And my own wish is, that the perceptive knowledge which his children may bring, may enable them to understand the index He has created, that may reflect the index of nature corresponding to it, that they shall be able to determine for every day's working life, that their measure may be complete.

"Visitors from suns, worlds and planets, who have gathered here in our vast assembly this morning, to exchange thought, and to

gather new dew-drops of life to strengthen them for still greater research into what was formerly called the Divine Providences of God, now to their spiritual understanding being made simple and plain, may all the thoughts uttered within the soul, be truth and love for all, and that will be prayer indeed. Amen. My spiritual blessing I give to all." They sing, "Behold the Angels to earth are coming down."

OPENING SECOND DAY.

Jesus says, "Every morning brings forth blossoms of truth; for all souls need to be fed, and fresh particles of food must be given every day; that of yesterday will not answer for to-day, for souls must grow strong by development of the inward nature, to be prepared for every day that opens. You do not get the noonday at first, but gradually the sun increases its strength of light and heat upon the earth, that all may by degrees be invigorated by its power. So must truth unfold by little, until its recipients have gathered and eaten of the full and strong parts of it, for the mind must take it up well, and the soul digest it, that it may not mistake its purposes. So in this opening morning it required those particles of truth to feed the multitude; and those who have come from the far distant worlds can absorb much, and it is my wish that the breezes freighted with inspiration and life, may waft over and around them, and be so fully manifest, that they shall return home laden with the sweetness of its truth. And may the spiritual Father who dwells throughout the mighty Heavens, so bless them each and all. And I give my blessing to all."

In continuation of Preface, Jesus says, "A proposal was offered or made to me, through carnal men (who came privately to me), who were some of the leading men among the Jews, as also prominent persons of other nationalities and religions, and who all joined in desiring me to become their leader and ruler, perceiving that I had great power with the people, and could by my influence induce them to follow and to obey me. They held out to me great promises to induce me to accept their leadership. But I told them all, that the kingdom that I came to assist in setting up in this world, was not

to be bought or sold, as mammon, but to be a living spiritual kingdom. If I accepted their offers, I must deny the spiritual calling and my birthright, which was spiritual, and must be ruled by the passions and thoughts of men, as others had been before me.

"To obey the spiritual inspiration, was to be denied the society of men at large, and of the priests and rulers, and to be set at naught by their laws as a fool and a madman.

"The people being forbidden to harbor or assist me, the priests and rulers supposing that they could destroy the influence which I had exercised over the people at large. But the influence of the Holy Spirit from the Heavenly Father, which is all powerful to sustain life, was given to me freely, to be dispensed to the world without money and without price.

"And the fields were to be the temples in which the multitudes were to meet, there to gather true inspiration in the free air of Heaven; and upon the shore of the sea, God moving upon the waters as upon the land. These plans and places, and those similar to them, being where my life-moving powers were to be exercised for the higher good of mankind.

"I must go in the poor traveller's garb, with no herald to announce my approach; but the great spiritual forces that were in and around me, which those that were hungering and thirsting for righteousness felt and saw, and so followed me in multitudes, and were fed and received the flowing dew of Heaven, as the water of life, which was given to them freely through me. I, standing as a mediator between my Father and them, teaching them how to unfold the real and true life, and bringing immortality to light, until the priests and rulers, fearing the power which I displayed, were determined to destroy, because they could not rule me. But I had fulfilled the mission given to me to the letter of the law. They could kill the body, but the soul was ascending, immortal; and in the departure from the body by being crucified, I made more converts than ever in my life in the body. For my precepts lived with time, and will ever shine brightly on its pages; and the example that I left still is manifest, as the power of God to govern through

the soul, His children. As I told them all before my departure, and many times repeated it, "they that love me, feed my sheep." For if they fulfill the law as I have done, overcoming all of the conditions of the outward and passional man, they shall do as I have done before them, and even greater things shall they do. For there is no bound to the spirit of the great Heavenly Father to any one and all who will serve Him in the spirit, by overcoming the world, and living in the soul. Then can they walk and talk with Him throughout all their time, and for this purpose have I given these words, and narrative of myself, and mission on the earth more than 1800 years ago. Jesus the Christ, son of Joseph and Mary, born and endowed with the spirit of the Heavenly Father!"

CONCLUSION SECOND DAY.

Jesus says, "'As little children only,' can man enter the true state of the kingdom of Heaven. And they do not need to be born out of their bodies to realize it.

"But they must ascend the spiral staircase within themselves, and pause at every organ of the body as they pass it in the ascent, question its authority, and know of its power to give life.

"For the body of man is a mighty temple, and every organ of the body has its good and bad office; and the worst passage of the ascent is through the animal kingdom, where millions are allowed to rest, and enjoy its vain pleasures, and ascend no higher, until they become spirits out of the body. Whilst others ascending through the animal kingdom to the intellectual, there rest, with the letters of the law, satisfied with the exchanging of thought, and eloquent words spoken. And they only awake to the sense of the prize that they have lost, when they are sent out of their bodies. And the reason why so few reach the summit of the spiritual kingdom, and enjoy the spiritual feasts of reason, and an overshadowing of immortal life in upon the soul, is, First, the difficulty of overcoming the passional state; so many and so varied are the attractions to hold them, so many snares to entice them, and hold them fast, that but few arrive to the intellectual.

"Thousands are wearied with the journey, and they are willing to

rest, and there partake of the shadow, for the real substance is still higher, and is not governed by thought uttered by man. For there they can become rulers and teachers in the outward form and semblance of man, gain riches, and command men, and love themselves, (through approbativeness and self esteem) have fine garments, and become noted as men.

This was the stage that the rich young man that came to me to know how he should be saved, was in. But when told that to ascend to the highest and sublime state of life, he must throw aside his magnificent garments, and refuse the flattery of the world, and the pursuit of power, and distribute his riches among the poor, he preferred to enjoy the present. Men refuse to obey the divine law, which is the ascending power, with an eye single to self, and with their souls in darkness, live to mammon, and ascend no higher. So that only now and then, a real spirit traveller becoming a little child, reaches the summit, and is crowned with the glory of God and its righteousness. Such become true mediators and revealers of spirit life. And may all of you who are within the sound of my voice this morning, who have gathered together from all the varied planes of spirit progress, and from the mighty distant suns, and their planetary worlds, and from all of the worlds of life that I behold here, realize the words of spirit truth that I have given to you; carrying deep conviction to your souls, that to be spiritual,y good, you must be true in all things. Then will you make progress toward that spiritual rest which is prepared for all that know and do our Heavenly Father's will.

I give my spiritual blessing to all.

They all sing "Morning light is breaking, and darkness disappears."

CREATION AND RE-INCARNATION OF MAN.

This planet of Earth was created so many ages since, that the mind of man can hardly conceive it. The six thousand years which chronologists give to it, is hardly a moment on the dial plate of time.

The commencement of animal life was of the simplest form, being merely a cell ; in process of time another cell became attached to it, and then a third, and so on, and as the number of cells increased, the power of adding to their number also increased, until one of the lower forms of the reptile was produced. Then came the fishes, the birds, and last the quadrupeds. To complete these different stages of animal life, the lapse of many ages were required.

After a great length of time, certain species of the ape, having assumed or acquired an erect vertebræ, the frontal regions of the cranium began to swell, and to form a connexion with the back brain, and then the Great Creator quickened the spirit or principle of life which there existed in common with all animals, and sent into it, and made it an immortal soul, which can never die, and whose destiny through all eternity, having within it the knowledge of good and evil, must depend upon itself.

The birds also in the progress of the ages, certain of them by slow gradations changed their conformation ; the legs filling out, and the feet gradually lessening and elongating, the bodies finally assumed the erect vertebræ, and other changes conforming, into them was breathed by the almighty power the divine essence, which made from the unreasoning and only instinctive principles of life, a being capable of becoming what man is, or may become. The reptiles, and many if not all other animals, have by gradual development become represented in man. The striking likenesses which

may be observed more or less distinctly among men to the different animals and birds, may serve to illustrate this.

The incarnation, or quickening of the principle of life into immortal spirits of developed animals, birds and reptiles, continued to the extent of many millions, until the law was fulfilled ; occupying many ages, and the lapse of time has been so exceedingly great, that it may be doubtful if any fossil remains of the partially developed animals, &c., can be discovered, although in the earlier strata it is possible that they may yet be found.

When the law had become fulfilled, as those animals, &c., which had been incarnated produced offspring, and themselves in the course of nature departed from life upon earth, the offspring were again incarnated by the souls of those who had left their mortal bodies upon the earth, and they in turn leaving offspring which were again incarnated by the souls of those which had departed, and so this process has been and is continued.

About one half of those that are born into the world, being incarnated by the souls of those that had lived upon this, or upon some other planet, and the other part, being newly created, come from the great Father and Creator of all.

The soul of the human being, whether it had pre-existed, or came fresh from the hand of God, has before it the choice of good and of evil ; to be good it is necessary to have the power to be evil, and the discipline of life here upon earth, or in any other planet or world, is fixed and intended to so cultivate it, that it may be fitted for a higher state of existence. If the soul which enters into the body of the child, had been created without the power of being evil, it would be merely a passive instrument ; but in the providence of God, and by his law, all must attain happiness only by resisting the temptations which life offers to do evil, and by learning above all things first to love Him, and to obey his law.

After the incarnation of the animals, &c., as reason and intellect began to work, the vocal organs at first expressed sounds without meaning, but soon those sounds were made to apply to things, and to action, and thus gradually grew up language ; and as the incar-

nated animals were widely spread over a great extent of country, and originating in different climates and conditions, the languages were diversified, although as proved by some writers, certain words signifying force, &c., are similar, shewing the natural expression of those ideas.

The attempt to build a tower to reach to Heaven, as described in the Scriptures, was made, but the diversity of language existed before the commencement, and was one chief cause of misunderstanding, and prevented the prosecution of the project.

In the course of the ages many of the spirits of the incarnated animals in all of the worlds, had by the discipline of re-incarnation gradually ascended in the scale of being, and had become spirits of light, approaching towards Heaven, when in an evil hour, ambition to rise above the law, and to become superior to it, induced many millions to revolt against the law of the Creator ; when a wave of electricity at once passed over them, and they fell from their high estate by their own gravity, which the great sin they had committed attached to them, and they descended down to the surface of the suns and planets from whence they came ; and many of the worst were sent back and again entered into the bodies of the species of those animals from whence their ancestors first emerged ; others were sent into the lower circles of the first sphere, there suffering the torments of the damned. In the ages that have passed, those condemned spirits have gradually emerged, and now there are none remaining, inhabiting the bodies of animals, but many are still in the first sphere, suffering hunger and thirst, and nakedness, with more or less of punishment, and are part of those mentioned by Jesus, as spirits in prison, whilst others have risen and inhabit some of them the higher spheres.

The description by Milton, with the exception of Satan, gives some idea of the fate of the rebellious spirits.

Re-incarnation or the return of the souls that have lived upon this or some other planet or world, occurs as follows :—When the spirit leaves the body, it takes its place in the spiritual world according to the deeds done upon earth, which have been the fruit of the

condition of the soul, and its relation and nearness to the Great Father of all. The great majority, about ninety in an hundred, entering into the first sphere, the lower circles of which, (those nearest the earth,) being places of punishment; some of inconceivable torment, are inhabited by great criminals, each higher circle being more endurable. The seventh circle of the first sphere, where most of those who leave this earth first find themselves, is a state of beggary, partly covered by a few rags, tormented with hunger and thirst, they are constantly employed in endeavoring to procure food. In the second sphere, the spirit is allowed to work, in the first circle sixteen hours of the twenty-four, mostly in agriculture. In the higher circles, less work and a better condition. In the third sphere, still improved, and so on through the circles of the different spheres, up to the seventh sphere, after which the spirit enters into celestial life. The spirit having taken its place, which its course of life on earth has caused, it may and does usually make progress upward, and when it reaches the fourth sphere, it can never be incarnated to go back to earth, but at any lower point, it is liable to be sent back to earth or to some other planet, and at some moment when its time to leave the spirit life has arrived; its spiritual body is cast off, and the soul drawn by an attraction which it cannot control, again enters into the embrio of a child that is to be born. It is thus again brought into the world, again to go through the discipline to which a life on earth subjects it.

No remembrance of the life that has been passed through on earth, or of its experience in the spiritual world, exists, the law precluding it. It is only when the glorified spirit arrives at its home in the celestial Heaven, that memory revives of all its past history, and spread out before it is the record of all that it has enjoyed and suffered, in the many changes that it has passed through.

Jesus says that the one half of the souls that are born into the world, which are newly created, are those which form the good and the best portion of mankind; that without this new infusion, the re-incarnated would fall back into darkness, and also that the inhabitants of the different planets, were animated by the souls of

those spirits which had fallen, in consequence of their rebellion against the law of the creator, but whose condition had been improved by the discipline received by many re-incarnations, that notwithstanding this improvement, the evil attendant upon their crimes, so imbued them, that without direct assistance from Heaven, they would deteriorate and become like the inhabitants of earth in the days of Noah. To assist them to rise upward, good men were inspired from above, to teach them, to show to them the evil of sin, and the beauty of holiness. Those peculiar instances of virtue, and that knowledge of an hereafter which have appeared upon the earth in the old time, such as the prophets to the Jews, Socrates and Plato to the Greeks, Confucius and Zoroaster in the east, and others, were divinely inspired, and served to prevent mankind from sinking lower, and assisted them to rise toward Heaven. The teachings of these good men having given a certain importance and authority to those who succeeded them in instructing the people, the importance thus attained was made use of for the acquisition of wealth and power for themselves ; and thus again the people were led from the worship of the true God, to that of idols of wood and of stone, and to objects of nature, such as the sun and some even of animals.

Even after the christian revelation, the evil tendency of the fallen spirits is shown, in the corruption which appeared in the christian church ; men evil in their lives, assumed authority, as coming from Christ to forgive sins, and to sell this forgiveness for money, assuming that without their permission none could enter Heaven.

About one thousand years since, a great change was made in the incarnation of the embrios of all children that were born into the world. Up to this time, all had been re-incarnated by the souls, descendants of those spirits which had rebelled against the law of the Creator, and as has been stated a few of the best had been inspired by Heaven, to prevent the downward tendency of the great masses of the people. But now at that time, a new creation took place, and about one half of all that were born, were newly created, and came fresh from the hand of God. This creation of a new soul, is an ex-

pression of the will of the Most High, which is thrown off and identified in the particular individual embrio. The creation of new souls introduced a better element upon earth, but, notwithstanding their late divine origin, the aspect of the world shows that the great majority even of these newly created souls, choose the evil rather than the good. But this fact by no means can impugn the wisdom and goodness of God. Had he created these souls incapable of evil, they would have been only of the quality of inert matter, as wood or stone. But being made for immortality, to fit them for Heaven they must achieve and work out their own salvation; good and evil lies before them, if they embrace the latter, it is only by long and continued suffering, and trial, and discipline, that they can work up to join the blessed and the happy.

NOTE.— This paper on the creation and re-incarnation of man was written some two or three years since, (sometime before any mention of re-incarnation had been made public from other sources,) and composed by the writer, the facts having been obtained in answer to questions propounded in part, and the rest were voluntary statements made by Jesus. After it was written, it was read, and approved by Jesus. What follows was dictated by him, and is mostly in his language. From the time when the opening, continuation, and closing commences, the language is almost verbatim as dictated.

A

True History of Jesus the Christ,

Dictated by Himself.

The condition of mankind upon the earth, as well as upon the other planets, and suns, and worlds, had become such, that there was a necessity for special revelations from Heaven. The populations of all the worlds were fast sinking back into the state described as existing in the days of Noah upon the earth.

To prevent further deterioration in all of the worlds, special messengers were sent from heaven to each of them, all at about the same time of the advent of our Saviour upon this earth. The inhabitants of the earth being descended from some of the more hardened and presumptuous of the fallen spirits, were in a lower condition, and required a Saviour endowed with greater power, and more receptive of the Holy Spirit than the inhabitants of other worlds who were descended also from fallen spirits, but whose natures were not so hardened and rebellious, and who could be recalled to the path to Heaven by messengers endowed with less power, and whose power for receiving the Holy Spirit was inferior to that of Jesus Christ,

and thence it was said of him "Every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess," &c.

The laws which were made by the Supreme Creator for the government of all worlds, are immutable, and not one jot or one tittle of them can pass away or be dispensed with. One of those laws, that one controlling the procreation of man, made the physical, mental, moral and spiritual condition of the parents at the time of conception, to affect all of those conditions in the offspring, so that the state of the mind of either, and of both parents would modify the character in all these particulars of the child that might be born — and however good and elevated might be the parents as compared with other inhabitants of the earth, (as men and women exist here,) there could be found none that had not some taint of earthliness, some germ of evil, which existing in them would manifest itself, and be transmitted to the offspring. Thence, no mortal man and woman in the normal state in which they live upon this earth could be the parents of a perfect being (such as Jesus Christ,) unless the condition of the law of the transmission of the qualities of both parents, particularly the moral and spiritual condition, which existed at the time of conception, could be modified.

In order that this might be accomplished, Joseph, (a just and good man,) espoused, and to be married to Mary, also good and pure, were thrown into the unconscious spiritual or trance state, and whilst in this condition, without the knowledge of either of them, such connexion as was necessary, took place, and at this time, the Holy Spirit overshadowed them, and thence no thoughts or feelings that were earthly, or connected with the earth, could be trans-

mitted to the offspring; but only the Spiritual and the Heavenly.

Had this spiritual or trance state, which precludes any action of the mind and feelings not existed, the child would in accordance with the law have inherited more or less of the imperfections common to humanity. But the peculiar conditions attendant upon his conception, imbued him from that moment with the influences of the Holy Spirit, and nothing evil could affect him. His parents were born in Nazareth, and removed for a time to Bethlehem in Judea, then returned to Nazareth, but were obliged to go to Bethlehem, to be taxed. They were betrothed to be married, and Joseph, his father, learning that his espoused wife was about to become a mother, had determined to put her away privately (to avoid scandal,) but was warned by an angel (that he saw in a vision,) that his intended wife was pure and good, and that he should complete the contract of marriage and live with her, and in obedience to the Heavenly Vision, he returned with her to Bethlehem and stopped at an inn which was crowded with guests. The time had come when the child was to be born, and they had no better place for the confinement of Mary than a barn or stable in which cattle were kept; and after the birth of Jesus, he was laid in a stall or manger, and in the adjoining stall an ox was feeding.

After the birth of Jesus a halo of light was seen around his head, and of course attracted much attention, and produced great wonder in the minds of his parents and their friends. At this time, some shepherds who were attending to their flocks on the hills near Jerusalem, observed a light in the firmament, and heard a voice saying, "Fear not, behold

I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people, for unto you is born this day a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." They were told to go at once, and follow the direction which a light resembling a star, that appeared above them should take. They immediately left their flocks and herds in the charge of others, and taking with them presents, followed the guidance of the star, and continued their journey and came to the manger where the young child lay, and saw it with the halo of light around its head. Mary its mother, related to them that an angel had appeared to her and said that the child would be born, and that he would produce a great change in the condition and welfare of the world. And Joseph told them that when he discovered that his espoused wife was to become a mother, having had no connexion with him, he was about to put her away; but was warned by an angel that it was well, and that he must not put her away, but that he should live with her. After the Shepherds had thus spoken with Joseph and Mary, and had made to them the offerings which they had brought, they took their leave of them and returned to their homes.

The communication with the inhabitants of earth, by spiritual intelligence, by means of dreams and visions, were more common, and more reliable, than has since existed. There have always been certain individuals or classes of individuals upon the earth, endowed with peculiar magnetic and electrical conditions, which allowed them to come *en rapport*, or in communication easily with spiritual existences, or intelligences. Sometimes, or rather in one age, the form of communication assumed one aspect, as that of inspiration by the prophets — at another, by Seers,

through dreams and visions, and latterly, by means of mediums.

The impressibility, so to speak, in different individuals, existed, and could be made the vehicle of the thoughts, desires and wishes of evil, as well as of good, spiritual existences; thence we hear of false prophets, of seers through dreams, visions unreliable, and latterly, certainly of mediums, assuming to represent the souls, thoughts, and character of individuals, which to the apprehension of the most common intellect were entirely inconsistent. It may well be asked, how are the false to be distinguished from the true? And the answer is the same, as in the days of the prophets, and since that time, that by their fruits ye shall know them. What is consistent, just and true, will sooner or later be known, acknowledged and separated from that which is the reverse.

The occupation of shepherds (which was a very common one in Judea, as well as in the country east of it, and also in that which laid towards Egypt,) being one that left each individual much alone, and if by constitution, nervous and magnetic, or electrical condition, any one should be fitted to receive from the spiritual world communications, the condition of the employment, rendered him peculiarly open to receive impressions from the unseen world. Thence, many of that employment became prophets and seers, and about the time of the birth of Jesus, certain shepherds who had that receptive power, living in the vicinity of Egypt, journeyed into Syria, and there met others from that country, and one or two from Persia who were similarly endowed, there being six or eight in number in all, and these having been warned by dreams or visions of the birth of a child of

wonderful qualities and powers, and that he might be discovered by observing and following the direction of a light, that resembled a star, were in that way led to the city of Bethlehem. As they passed through the city of Jerusalem, Herod the King having heard that a wonderful child would be born, that it was said "would be King of the Jews," and that these seers were seeking him, became alarmed, and desired them when they had found him to return and report to him. The seers following the guidance of the star, found the child lying in a manger, with its parents attending him, and presented to them the gifts which they had brought with them, of gold, frankincense and myrrh. To the seers, the parents of Jesus repeated what they had already said to the shepherds who first visited them. But these last visitants, having taken their leave, returned to their homes by another way than the one by which they came, having been warned by a vision, or dream, not to inform Herod.

The shepherds or seers not having returned to report to Herod, who finding that he had been deceived, became very much alarmed, and gave orders that all children (within certain districts) that were less than two years of age, should be destroyed; hoping thereby to make sure of the death of the wonderful child that he had heard of, and whom he feared might supplant him in his authority. But Joseph was warned by an Angel of the Lord, in a dream, to flee with the child and its mother into Egypt. He accordingly obeyed the direction of the vision, and remained in Egypt until the death of Herod.

During his stay there, he as opportunity offered, worked at his trade of a carpenter, but much of his time was occupied in attending upon the mother and child. The extra-

ordinary appearance and character of the child, excited the interest and sympathy of the people who knew them, and they contributed of their substance, to the support of the family. Upon the death of Herod, Joseph was again directed by an angel, whom he saw in a vision, to return to Bethlehem. But fearing still for the child, he determined to stop at Nazareth, which was a place in very bad repute, inhabited by many vile and wicked people; and in that respect, undesirable as a residence. He, however, obtained employment at his trade of carpenter, and there remained.

When Jesus his son had attained the age of five years, he displayed extraordinary faculties; which as this became known, caused many people to come and converse with him. He talked with them upon subjects requiring the exercise of strong mental powers. He told his visitors about themselves, seeing through them, and relating to them their own experiences; so that many of them loved Him, and many feared Him.

At the age of six, he increased in his powers of perception. He addressed strangers by their names, and related to them incidents of their past lives, and the condition of things, and circumstances around them, and warned them to repent, and to cease to do evil. His spiritual vision, and the power of hearing spirits converse, was opened to him, and he could see angels, and hear them talk and sing.

At the age of seven, he saw and conversed still more with angels, and would mix with little children, and play with them, and relate to them what the angels said. And he would go to the market place with his mother, and the people that he met there, would talk with him, and question him, and he would answer in such a manner, that they

wondered at him. At the age of eight he would go alone to the market place, and to other places where many were gathered together; and tell them of the necessity of repentance, and of leading a good life, and showed to them how they were disobeying the law of God, and also the law of Moses. His parents would look for him, and reprimand him for saying these strange things, and talking so much whilst he was yet so young; not knowing themselves what to think. He said to them, that he loved them very dearly, but that the angels had told him to do as he had done, and that he must obey them. At the close of the eighth year, as his body grew in size and stature, his brain and spirit also became developed, and he would talk much with the children and youth, and catechise them, asking them questions, and answering the questions which they asked, and endeavored to educate them to a higher condition. He also talked with men and women. He could see what was passing in their minds, their hopes and wishes, and inclinations, and would reprove what he saw to be wrong, and lead them towards a higher life. In his discussions with the older people, he would take up stones from the street, psyhometrise them, read to the wondering auditors, the history of each fragment, its origin, and how and by what changes, it finally came to be lying in the streets of Nazareth. At another time he would select a plant, and show to them the wonderful process by which the sap, circulating through it, produced the bark, the leaf, the flower and the fruit, and how it grew, and how it decayed. Some of those who heard him would laugh at it, but others of minds more capable of appreciating its depth and importance, would desire him to continue and increase his teachings.

He would visit the market place, and there surrounded by many auditors, he would describe what he saw around and above him and them, and also what he saw in the Heavens, spirits or angels. And many wondered that one so very youthful, could utter such extraordinary words, and described celestial beings as being before him. Others of those that he addressed, scorned and spit at him, he showing no resentment nor offering resistance, feeling that he must continue his good work. He knew that angels were around and near him, and ready to protect him.

During this time, his parents considering his extreme youth, and having enemies among the people, that it would be safer that he should remain at home, therefore confined him in a room by himelf, and locked him in. Notwithstanding this precaution, the lock was turned, the door opened, and he stood before them. Their surprise at this was very great, as they supposed themselves sure, that he would be unable to escape from his confinement.

The ensuing night they were warned by a vision of angels, that they must not confine him, that he had a work to do for his Father, and that they would care for him and protect him. After a time the interest excited by his extraordinary knowledge and wisdom, caused many, both old and young, to come to him and ask him to continue his teachings; they would question him, and await with much solicitude his answers. Also, the celestial influence which proceeded from him, caused in those that approached him, a feeling of happiness. This influence was imparted freely, and caused him to be followed and wondered at more and more.

When he arrived at the age of ten, as he lay in his bed

in the night, he saw a light around him which illuminated the room, and angels came to him and told him that he must be ready soon to preach the truths of the Heavens, for he was called to be a ministering spirit. He was directed by the angels to prepare himself by sitting alone, in an upper room of the house in which he lived with his father and mother. The house was a small building with a flat roof, the upper part, or what now would be termed the attic, having been finished for sleeping apartments. In one of these rooms, he would remain by himself for about two hours at a time, during which he would see lights glancing around the room, communing with himself, and receiving such impressions as might be given to him.

He would then go out into the streets, and to the market place, and into the houses of the neighbors, and would talk with those whom he met, and preach to them, and describe to them how they should avoid evil, and learn to do well; that first that they should learn to love God, and it would follow, that they would also love all men.

His father, working hard at his trade of carpenter, desired him to assist him, as although he was yet very young, he might do something to assist in paying the expenses of the family. He answered, that he had a higher calling — that he could not do the things of this world, that he must devote his life to the improvement of mankind. His father being very poor, and the remuneration which he obtained for his labor being but little, and thinking that his son could help somewhat, endeavored to compel him to give to him his assistance; but upon this he fell sick, and Joseph was warned by a vision, that he must not interfere in any way with the work which Jesus was called to perform.

In the eleventh year of his age, his body increased in strength, and his brain also became stronger, with more receptive power, and his mind could act more freely. He visited the poor and needy and sat with them at table, and showed to them how, and in what manner the food that they ate, nourished the body, and through the body, how it also nourished the mind and soul. And also, how it was the beneficent provision of the good Father in Heaven, to provide for all of his children; and would point to Him, as the great object of their love and worship.

He went about much among the poor, and would show to them in what manner that they should worship, and taught them to subdue their passions, and cultivate the growth of the Spirit. Some of those who felt that they were guilty of sins that he reproved, would leave him. He talked in a similar manner to the people in the market, those who bought and sold, and also to those whom he met in the public squares, would argue with them, and show to them how they should deal with each other justly.

The synagogue in Nazareth was small, and he sometimes went there also and taught, but mostly in the market place and in the streets. He would take large numbers of children into the fields, and show to them the flowers, and explain to them how they grew, and point them to Him who gives all life. He was now directed by the Angel to make a journey to Jerusalem, where he could find men of a higher cultivation, more learned, and those indeed who directed the opinions and sentiments of the Jewish nation; as in that city, was to be found those who had studied, and knew the laws and traditions, and whose views and dogmas, he proposed to combat and refute. He continued, however, to

remain with his parents in Nazareth, until about the middle of his twelfth year.

Still practicing the seclusion of some hours each day by himself in the attic room, he there saw and talked with Angels, receiving inspiration to strengthen him for his journey.

A part of the time he assisted his Father in his work, in order to get means to prosecute the journey to Jerusalem; at other times, he would go about teaching, and the remainder of the time, he was sitting in his room, gathering strength and inspiration for the work that was before him.

He set out together with his parents, on the journey to Jerusalem, and on the way, he would describe to them the Angels that he saw accompanying them. He would also talk with travellers whom they met, and describe to them also the beings which he saw, that were unseen by them, and would teach them the truths of immortality. They were astonished, that one so youthful should speak as he spake, and should describe to them wonders that they had never imagined.

Arriving at Jerusalem, they got lodgings at a small inn. There he continued to talk to the inmates, and it became noised abroad in the city, that a wonderful child had come there, who told most extraordinary things; so that many persons came to see him, and with them he discoursed upon various subjects fluently, speaking upon the different topics which were introduced, as one thoroughly versed in the knowledge of each matter that came up; this naturally produced surprise and interest. He went about the city, speaking to the people, and showing to them signs and

wonders, such as causing ponderable bodies to move without his touching them. He would describe persons who had died, that were known to his auditors, would speak their names and relate matters concerning them, which in the common course of nature must be unknown to him. Joseph, his father, having been directed by Angels to remain for a season in Jerusalem, determined to procure employment to work at his trade, in order to supply the needs of his family; this he effected, and wrought each day as a carpenter.

Frequently, Jesus was absent from home all of the day, and this occurred a number of days, and he gave no account of where he had been. His parents rebuked him, but he was unable to explain, as he did not know himself; he having been led by the spirit, and speaking and teaching the people, partially in a state of trance, so that his ordinary faculties of memory, &c., took no cognizance of the doings of the body. He said to them, however, that the time had come for him to be about his Father's business, and that he must fulfill the law.

All of one day he was gone, and his parents became very anxious for his safety. They knew that many persons were very angry with him on account of the rebukes that he had given, and they sought him with much solicitude. They found him in the Temple, before the Sanhedrim, the doctors, the lawyers and priests, and all who controlled the belief and sentiment of the Jewish nation. He contended with them against their right to exercise the power which they did over the Jewish people, and denied the truth of the doctrines and belief and faith, of the Jewish church; and warned them of the effects of the wrath that should come

upon the priests, the rulers, and the nation itself, so long as it upheld the wrong doctrines that were taught.

The members of the Sanhedrim were so much enraged, that they felt disposed to have had him arrested, but his parents besought him to go home. He said, "for this purpose we have come to Jerusalem," and went on with his arguments with the learned and grey-bearded doctors, taking their own admissions, and the Scriptures which they professed to believe and to respect, and utterly confuting the assumptions which they upheld. Some of the members of the Sanhedrim threatened him with punishment, and he left them saying, "I am only fulfilling the work that my Father in Heaven has appointed me to do. Wo unto you Chief Priests, Scribes, and Pharisees, the time shall come when you shall be brought to naught, and your temple shall be left desolate."

Leaving Jerusalem, Jesus, with his parents, returned to Nazareth. His father still desired him to assist him in his work as a carpenter; but he told his father that he could not do this, that it was essential that he should lead the life of a shepherd, that the exposure to the open air would invigorate his body, and the seclusion of a pastoral life would assist in developing the spiritual condition of his mind, and fit him for the performance of the high duties for which he was destined. He accordingly adopted that mode of life, and became a shepherd, and tended the flocks and herds on the hills and plains between Nazareth and Jerusalem.

He would often visit the latter city, where he would continue to preach and to exhort the people, as he had done previously, which caused great anger and indignation among the priests and the rabbis. He would then return

to his shepherd life, and seek in quiet and seclusion the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. He would gather around him the shepherds, and they would sit together, and would come under inspirational power, and would see the angels and hear them speak, and several times he was raised up from the earth into the air, and brought back again.

At another time he was raised up and taken out from their sight, and they became very much alarmed. He was covered with a mist, so that they could not see him; when suddenly a cloud would come before them, and he would emerge from the cloud, and would relate to them what he had seen and heard. At times, when they needed food, loaves and pieces of bread would drop from the clouds, and at other times the angels within the cloud would be seen bringing the bread and dropping it to them. And when water was deficient, a little cloud appeared over them, and streams of water from it would descend and fill the skins which they were used to depend upon to hold the water that was needed. He would speak to the shepherds, (who would gather around him,) and explain to them the philosophy of the growth of plants, of the manner in which they grew, and as he spoke, the flocks and herds, attracted by the magnetic influence which proceeded from him, would also gather around and appear to listen.

One day as Jesus spoke to the shepherds, an angel stood beside him, and all of them fell speechless; but Jesus spoke to them, and told them not to fear, and the angel also spoke to them, and told them of the mission for which Jesus was sent to the world.

He continued this manner of life until his fourteenth year, when he journeyed into Syria and Persia, and there

taught the people the truths of immortality, speaking to them in their own languages, in the Syriac or the Persian as might be needed. He would be transported from one place to another, and would speak to the people, calling some of them by name, describing to them their career of life, past, present and future, so that they were astonished and alarmed, some of them calling him a demon, and others speaking of him as a wizard.

At times, an angel would appear standing near to him, and would be seen by the people; so wonderful an appearance naturally produced fear, and his auditors fled in dismay. At other times, attempts would be made to arrest him, but he would suddenly disappear from their sight, and be taken away, and transported back to the hills of Palestine.

His companions, the shepherds, would hardly ever know when he went away, or when he returned; he would be absent several days at a time. The sheep and the cattle would at times become sick, and he would direct the shepherds what to do for them, which advice being followed, produced a return of health.

The exercise in the open air was favorable to his bodily health, his hair grew long, and his beard also grew, and his brain became more clear, and had greater power.

He would often leave his flocks and herds and go to Jerusalem; and in the market-place, and in the streets, he would meet with priests and elders, and would enter into discussions and arguments with them; his reasoning was so conclusive, taking their own admissions as the groundwork, that he completely confuted and confused them. They would in consequence, become very much enraged, and

would attempt to lay hands upon him to arrest him, but he would disappear from their sight, and unconscious to himself, would be conveyed elsewhere, where he was at liberty. This manner of life continued until about the period of his fifteenth year.

The facts in regard to his appearance at Jerusalem, and his preaching there, and the wonderful works that he did, were publicly known, and no doubt Josephus and other writers of the period, were cognizant of them. But the Jewish prejudices were so strong, and the question in regard to the church, and its claim to be the only teacher, precluded any Jew, especially so strong a one as Josephus, from bringing out, or stating any fact or thing which would be inconsistent with their claims.

On the opening of his fifteenth year, Jesus left his shepherd life on the plains of Galilee, and journeyed into the interior of Egypt, and (as he had done in Jerusalem, and Syria, and Persia,) preached to the people. He inveighed against their idolatrous worship of birds and animals, and explained to them the truth of the existence and Fatherly care of the one true God, and that to Him was due the adoration that they gave to senseless brutes. Attacking the whole system of Egyptian religious worship, he at once aroused the anger of the priesthood, and some of the priests stirred up the people to endeavor to arrest him. They made many efforts to effect this, and often came near to getting him in their power, but as they approached to seize upon him, they were thrown upon the earth speechless, and he was taken away out of their sight. He had been warned by angels of this danger, but was promised protection, and had no fear.

On one occasion, when preaching to many people, a priest, a man of great size and strength, approached him to lay hands on him; but when his hand touched the shoulder of Jesus, his arm was paralyzed, and his body became stiff and rigid, and the multitude were very much frightened. And Jesus said to them, "I will show to you, now, who I am; this priest was to have harmed me for having spoken only what is truth. But you see he is now helpless; the power around me has made him so to protect me. To you he is dead. I will now restore him by this power to animation and life, and he shall believe on me and on Him that sent me." Jesus lifted up his hand toward Heaven, and spoke in their own language, and the priest came back to life, and the paralysis ceased, and his eyes were opened, and he spoke to the people and described what he had seen. And whilst the priest spoke, the people seized him, being much enraged with him for his attempt to describe the vision that had appeared to him, and were dragging him away to destroy him, when Jesus with a loud voice ordered them to desist; and trembling with fear they released him. The voice of authority, carrying the influence of the spirit, entirely subdued them, and they released the priest; and he became a believer and follower of Jesus, and preached and taught the people; and himself had disciples and followers after Jesus had departed from the country.

Jesus continued for some time to preach to the people, showing to them the absurdity and impiety of their worship of beasts and birds, and pointing out to them the only true object of adoration, and although often threatened with violence he always escaped.

From Egypt he journeyed back to Jerusalem, and again

held converse with the priests and the rabbies; again confuting them, and again showing to them the weakness of their arguments, and the falsity of their doctrines, when they, becoming more and more enraged, seized upon him and put him into prison, thinking they had secured him. But the walls of the building were shaken by supernatural power, and they, fearing that the building would fall upon them, released him.

Jesus then returned to his shepherd life, as he was directed that it was necessary that he should from time to time lead a life of retirement, in order that he might gain strength by rest, and the influence from above in that secluded state was more readily received. But during his stay there, he continued to show to them signs and wonders, such as being raised from the earth, and conveyed about to different places. Also angels appeared with him and spoke to the shepherds. He remained there until the commencement of his sixteenth year, when he again journeyed into Egypt, and found there many of the followers of the priest that he had formerly converted; and to them, and to all who came, he preached the truths of immortality, continuing to show to them the unreasonableness of the religion which prevailed in Egypt, until the people, led by the priests, were wrought into frenzy, and determined that they would put a stop to it. To effect this they waited and watched until the night, when Jesus with the priest and his followers were sleeping, and then seized them by order of the chief priest and put them all into prison, and gave directions that they should all be executed at daylight. But when the priests with soldiers came to the prison to take them, they found the doors all open, and around them

in the prison was a vast number of angels, and no man dared to lay hands upon them. And a voice was heard saying, "What came ye here for? These are but speaking the truth, we shall care for them," and the priests and the soldiers all fled in dismay.

And Jesus and the priest with his followers went forth from the prison unmolested, and went out upon one of the plains; and Jesus there talked to them, and he gave to the priest and his followers greater power of the spirit, and a great light shone on and all around and over them, and they heard angels singing, and Jesus was taken up from their midst, and was spirited away and found himself again on the plains of Galilee.

On the opening of his seventeenth year, Jesus remained for a time with the shepherds, in order to restore his strength of body and of mind, and by a life of seclusion to place himself in the most favorable condition to receive the influence of the Holy Spirit. He then returned to Egypt, with the intention of assisting the priest and his followers in the work of regenerating the people. But on his arrival there, he found that the priest had been seized by the authorities, and had been put to death, and that his followers were dispersed.

He, however, visited those of them that he could find, that were believers, and gathered them together at meetings in private houses, and assured them that the power of God was still there.

And when he had restored confidence in them, so that they believed in the spirit communion with the Lord, he met them openly and publicly again, that others might come to hear. On one occasion, at a meeting where many

were assembled in a public square in the city of Alexandria, and Jesus was teaching them the great truths of immortality, at a signal given by one of the priests, who acted in concert with the authorities, guards rushed in upon them to arrest and take them to prison. But as each soldier touched the one that he intended to make prisoner, they each and all were paralyzed, and became rigid and speechless; and thus remained fixed and unable to move; with hand outstretched, and foot advanced, they seemed like statues; whilst Jesus and his followers continued their services, praying, preaching and singing, as if no interruption had occurred. And when the services were ended, the guards were restored to consciousnes, and immediately fled, supposing that Jesus had power to take their lives. So extraordinary a phenomenon produced much excitement, and a great multitude gathered to hear him; and the priests then determined that this man should be destroyed.

Jesus, while speaking, became thirsty and asked for water, and a priest who was present, acting in concert with other priests, put poison into the goblet and had it given to him, and when he would have placed it to his lips, an angel was seen by all that were present to take it from his hand, and a voice from the angel was heard, saying, "Let him who offered this, drink," and the priest and the attendant who had handed the goblet to Jesus, fell to the ground senseless, and were carried away. The influence of the poison in the cup having been conveyed from it and imbibed by them through the power of the angel. And the multitude enthusiastically sang hallelujah. And great power descended upon those men through Jesus, and many persons were raised in the air and transported about from place to

place in the sight of the multitude; and many saw angels around and above them, and others spoke in different languages foreign to their native tongue; and all present were moved by the influence of the Spirit, so great was its power.

Jesus spoke to them and said, "remain stedfast in the faith, although the evil of the world shall come upon you, and dangers shall threaten, and temptations entice you; fear not, the spirit of the Lord shall make you free! Trust not in the things of this world that must fade away by the law of change; but be firm in spirit. In a little while I will again return to you—I now depart."

And he was suddenly taken away from their midst, and he found himself walking alone on the plains of Gallilee—yet not alone, for an angel was by his side. And whilst they journeyed on they saw several persons who were going to Jerusalem, one of their number being very lame and sick; and Jesus bade them halt. One of their number said, "Why do you order us to stop?" Jesus said, "I am a servant of God; by his power I live, and move, and have a being. You are also his children; I am here to heal this sick man." And Jesus moved his hands in the air, and cried with a loud voice, and in a moment they were all enveloped by a cloud of light.

Immediately the sick man uttered a cry of joy; and he arose from the litter in which he had been lying, and walked about; and when he found that not only his lameness, but also that the depressing and terrible illness which afflicted him was also gone, he lifted up his voice and wept for joy.

And when his friends and companions saw that he was recovered and well, they knelt down and thanked the

great power that had restored him; and when they arose and looked for Jesus he was gone.

In the latter part of his seventeenth year Jesus remained with the shepherds as before, for some time, for the purpose of recruiting his strength of body and mind; and by the calm seclusion of that rural life, to more perfectly fit him for the reception of the Holy Spirit. When by direction of the angels, he went to Jerusalem, and often met priests and rabbies, and would enter into arguments with them, in relation to the Jewish faith and practice, and multitudes would gather around them, and as the priests and rabbies would be overcome and confuted in the discussions, they would become very angry, and Jesus would then depart. His directions from the angels were to assist in destroying the power of the priests in Judea.

On the opening of his eighteenth year, he was ordered by the angels to return to Egypt, and again found that his followers were dispersed; some of them had been put to death, some of them were in prison, and the remainder were scattered, and it was with great difficulty, and by the help of angels, that he found a few. These he met quietly, so that the authorities might not know of it. Those who had been converted feared to come, as their lives might be endangered, and to avoid the risk of arrest, they met at night and without light, but the place in which they met, was illuminated by spiritual power, and to prove to them the reality and truth of the mission of Jesus, some of the friends of his followers appeared to them, and talked with them personally, giving them strong proofs of their identity, from facts in their past lives; and they would hear angels singing, and the walls of the building would shake, and pon-

derable bodies would be moved from one place to another. All of these phenomena were produced, to restore confidence, and to induce those who had been converted to come out and meet publicly; they having been told by the Egyptian priests, that Jesus was a deceiver, and that they must not believe in him.

After having continued these private meetings a number of weeks, Jesus was directed by the angels to hold a public meeting, and that the Lord would be with them; and accordingly they went forth to hold a large meeting on a plain out from the city, and whilst they travelled towards the place of meeting, the eyes of his followers were opened, and they saw a vast multitude of angels over their heads in the air, accompanying them. There was in the company of his followers about three hundred souls, Jesus being in their midst, and he said, "if this all be true that I am the servant of the Most High God, let a wall of fire encompass us;" for he well knew that the priests would again try to take him, they fearing his power among the people. And there came down from out the sky, little clouds, like beaten gold, transparent, and encompassed them all around. And they all came under the influence of the Holy Spirit, and they prayed, and sang, and exhorted, and whilst they were partaking of this heavenly feast of the soul, for such it was to all there, they heard a great uproar outside of the wall of fire, but heeded it not, until their service was ended, when the cloud or wall of fire disappeared, and they found themselves surrounded by many troops that were led by the Egyptian priests, who were determined to take them prisoners, and the converts began to tremble, thinking of the fate of their predecessors, and supposing that they also

might be condemned to death. But Jesus said, "fear not, I, through the spirit of God, will protect you," and he commanded the troops to open their ranks, and to allow himself and his followers to depart in peace. But the priests replied, "no, you are our prisoners." And Jesus spoke with a loud voice, and waved his hand three times from toward Heaven to earth, and all of the priests and the troops fled away in great terror, and Jesus with his followers went on their way rejoicing, and proceeded together from the plain where they had met, and entered into the city of Alexandria, to a public square; and others, seeing the works that he did, also joined with them, increasing the number of his followers to six or seven hundred, who believed in him; whilst others reviled, and scoffed, and spit at him, to this he replied nothing.

But to prove that he was a child and servant of God, he said, "bring here into this square, the sick, and the halt, and the blind, and I will show the power of God;" and they brought thither a man who had been paralyzed a number of years, and was entirely unable to move his limbs, being utterly helpless. And he spoke some words in the Egyptian language, that all might understand what he said, and he waved his hands over him several times, and said, "arise and walk, be paralyzed no more." And the man arose upon his feet, and walked away, being made whole, and many followed him, and questioned and examined him, to be sure if it could be possible that it was really true that he had been made well in a moment. And also a woman that was totally blind was brought into the square; she had been afflicted with two cataracts, and her sight was entirely gone, and Jesus said, "let the people stand back that all

may see;" and a circle was formed, and many persons looked from the buildings surrounding the square, and he ordered some water to be brought, and as he held the vessel containing it in his hand, the people saw an angel pour something into the vessel, and they also saw another angel take the vessel from his hand and sprinkle water upon the head of the woman, and bathe her eyes with it, and immediately her eyes were opened, and she saw clearly; and around and above her were seen other angels, And the woman kneeled to Jesus, and wept for joy; and he said to her, "thank not me, but my Father who is in Heaven, for He doeth these things through me."

Then Jesus with his followers returned to the plain near the city, and many (who witnessed the cures performed in the square, which have just been related,) joined them, making in all about fifteen hundred in number, about half of which were unbelievers. And whilst they were praying, many angels were seen walking around them to protect them. When the prayers were ended, many were hungry and thirsty, and they said, "give us bread, for we have left all and followed you;" but no bread or water was given to them, and they became dissatisfied and noisy, saying, "we have had your spiritual food, but we want food for the body." And the multitude began to separate, and were going away, and he said, "will you go back to idols when you have seen the power of God already? You have seen signs and wonders, will you constantly require them at my hand?" and he said, "let the Heavens give them bread, and a shower of water to quench their thirst;" and as they were standing murmuring, saying, "you have deceived us," a cloud appeared immediately over their heads, and within

reach of their hands, and from the cloud fell a great shower of bread, and all of the multitude ate and were filled, and there appeared reaching from out the cloud, hands holding skins which were filled with water, and all drank and their thirst was quenched; and all shouted, "now we believe on you and on Him that sent you." And Jesus said, "no, you believe not, you speak only because you have eaten and are filled, and have drank water and no longer thirst; greater signs shall you have ere you shall become convinced of the truth of these things."

And he said with a loud voice, "those who still want, now suffer; and the cloud dispersed, and there appeared hundreds of angels with little whip cords, and hundreds were beaten until they cried with pain, and fell upon the earth; being those who falsely pretended belief. About three hundred remained upon their feet, and were untouched; they by the power of the spirit were illuminated, a light breaking from them; and also their minds were enlightened, and gifts unusual and extraordinary appeared. They spoke with different tongues, and in different languages, and interpreted the meaning into the Egyptian language. And Jesus said, "you indeed are true followers; the spirit will quicken you all, and try you before you are elected to preach the gospel to your people." And whilst he was yet speaking, a body of troops accompanied by the Egyptian priests came out to take them, they having heard of the many wondrous works that he had performed, and of the many people that followed him.

His followers began to tremble with fear, but Jesus said, "Fear not, for He will give his angels charge over you, and not a hair of your heads shall be harmed."

And the whole multitude of hearers came under the influence of the spirit, and sang with great power and gladness. And the troops encompassed them around, and the priests called upon them to surrender to the officers of the law, saying, that they were rebelling against the religion and law of Egypt, and that they must render themselves as prisoners and be tried for sedition. They answered not, but continued to sing for about fifteen minutes without ceasing, during which time a great cloud descended, and encompassed and enshrouded the troops, and the priests, and from out the cloud there came little forked tongues of fire, and the officers commanding the troops fell from their horses, and the priests were prostrated, and the soldiers fled in dismay to the city, believing that they would all be destroyed by this man, whom they thought had control over the powers of darkness, and over evil demons, and who could, as they believed, destroy them; and as they went through the city, they related what they had seen. After the flight of the troops and the priests, Jesus said, "march to the square, and we will show to the people the great power and glory of God; fear not the rulers, or the priests, or the people, for the time has come to show His works publicly; for you have all been chosen for this duty. And whilst they marched on towards the city, a mighty host of angels accompanied them, above and around them.

And Jesus was raised above the multitude, and conveyed along through the air with them. And as they marched, singing, so great was the power of the spirit, that the people fled to their houses, and the priests to the temples, and the soldiers to their barracks, all knowing what had been done on the plain, and fearing that he had come to destroy the city.

When they had arrived at the great central square in the city of Alexandria, Jesus directed his followers to surround him, and to form a large circle, and the many persons who came in and joined them, nearly filled this great space. And he said, "If the spirits from Heaven can communicate with the people on earth, let them descend and talk with their friends, and bear witness." And immediately, several hundred spirits, (which are called angels,) descended and walked around among the people, and talked with those of the company that they had known when on earth, and called upon individuals that were outside of the circle, by their names, to come in, and to them they whispered in their own tongue of matters known only to them, and to their departed friends. A death-like silence prevailed; and great fear fell upon those that were spoken to, and to all that looked on, and the conversation between the spirits and their friends continued for the space of two or three hours.

Jesus then ordered that the sick, and the lame, and all suffering from disease, should be brought in, for he said "you still require greater signs from Heaven." And a white fleecy cloud covered the entire square over their heads. And from different parts of the city were brought in those that were sick, lame, dumb, &c. First was brought to him, a man about forty years of age, who had not spoken for twenty years. And Jesus held up his hand, and an angel was seen to pour something into his hand, and Jesus rubbed with his hand, the mouth, and head, and neck, and throat, of the dumb man, for some minutes, and said, "if it be Thy will, oh Father in Heaven, let this man speak;" and his mouth was opened, and he began to speak distinctly, and all who heard him were astonished. And the man whose

speech was restored to him, spake with many, his power of speech being fully restored; and he was so overjoyed that he would have embraced Jesus, but he said, "thank Him who sent me; go and tell what has been done for you to the rulers, and to the people, and speak the truth; love God and fear no one;" and he went his way rejoicing.

Then was brought forward upon a couch, a woman afflicted with the palsy to that degree that her whole frame trembled and shook like an aspen leaf; and Jesus said, "In the name of my spiritual Father, let this woman be restored to active life." And there appeared from out the cloud, a dew, that fell upon the woman like rain, so that it saturated her with moisture, and from out the cloud were seen several pairs of hands, and whilst the dew fell upon her, these hands continued for the space of some five minutes, to make passes over her body; and the trembling ceased, and her tongue was loosed, and she shouted for joy, and she arose from her couch and walked about with a firm step, being fully restored to health; and she told the people how wonderfully she had been cured.

After this, a young man who had been injured by a fall, which had produced a contraction of the muscles of the left arm and leg, so that he was unable to use them, and was completely a cripple. And Jesus raised his hands and took from the cloud an ointment, and said, "In the name of my Father which is in Heaven, I will now make you whole;" and he rubbed him on the left side, and in a few minutes he was perfectly restored, and walked away singing gladly.

Then was brought to him a woman of fifty years of age, who had been totally deaf for many years; and Jesus said, "If it be the will of my Father in Heaven that His child

shall hear, so may it be to her, that it may be a lasting manifestation unto this people;" and there appeared two little clouds that came out from the other cloud, that overshadowed the multitude, and these small clouds each attached itself to either ear, and the sensations that followed were so strange, that she was afraid; but Jesus said, "Fear not, no harm, but good shall come to you;" and in a few moments she cried out, "I hear, I hear!" and the multitude shouted; and she said, "now I know that you are greater than most of men; you have done what no man could do, for I now hear all that is said distinctly." And Jesus said, "this is enough; for the glory and honor of my Father in Heaven have these things been done. For your eyes have seen, and your ears have heard, and the senses of the soul have taken hold of the marvels that have been wrought, but after all these signs and wonders which have been revealed to you this day, you will have hardness of heart, and blindness of mind, and believe that I have a demon, who at my command will do these things to deceive the people. Be ye faithful all that will, for now I leave you, but will soon return. Let no vain whisperings from the priests or people, turn you aside fromthe path of duty that I have laid before you, and you shall have your reward." And the cloud which had surrounded the multitude lifted up, and Jesus was nowhere to be seen; and he found himself walking on the plains of Galilee with several angels around him. These events occurred whilst he was yet in his eighteenth year.

Note. From this time each communication is divided into the opening, continuation of the history, and closing; the first and last being more or less addressed to the audience of spirits.

OPENING.

Jesus says, "the dawn of day is manifesting itself, that the children of men may no longer grope in darkness, and stumble not, but walk in uprightness, so that the light of Heaven shall penetrate all of the mysterious scenes of the past, and they shall see in the mirror of their souls, their life, and by the index of it made manifest to them, they shall go on their way rejoicing. It is not what they shall eat, or drink, or wear, for these are things that perish. But that which the soul shall lay hold of, will bring to it sweet repose; and as the sun welcomes in the day with its invigorating rays of warmth and life, so would I this morning give my blessing to all, that they may enjoy sweet communion with their Father which is in Heaven.

In continuation, Jesus says, "I returned to the plains, and to the shepherd life, to recruit my exhausted strength. I had had not only the priests, but the rulers and the people to contend with, as they feared my power, and desired my death. I remained there during the residue of my eighteenth year, and whilst there, I was visited not only by the shepherds who dwelt there, but also by others who came to see and to hear me, from Jerusalem, and from Tyre and Sidon, and from the country around. To all of these I talked, and preached the gospel of truth.

"On the opening of my nineteenth year, I went to Jerusalem, and visited the Sanhedrim whilst they were met in conclave. With the priests and rulers there, I talked and disputed, and they became very angry, and said, 'how dare you confront us in this manner?' I answered, 'by the power of truth, which shall liberate all souls from priestly bondage, and they shall dare to speak as the soul giveth

utterance. For your control over the spirit of man shall be destroyed; and I am sent here by the power of the living God, my Father which is in Heaven, whom you profess to be chosen to serve and obey, and you know Him not. For you are all false prophets, and I come to deliver those who are your captives, and in bondage by your power.' And they all arose from their seats wroth and angry, and endeavored to lay hold of me; but a great light suddenly appeared, spread over and around me, and they, frightened by its appearance, feared to approach me, and I disappeared and walked through the city, talking with the people; and a great multitude followed me as I went, and I gave notice to them that a large meeting would be held upon the plains of Galilee, and that I would meet them there and commune with them. And as I was walking alone out from the city, two men who had been hired by the chief priests, followed me, in order to assassinate me privately, (as they did not dare to offer violence in public, for fear of the people). But as they approached me, and before they had an opportunity to speak or to touch me, I said to them, 'why seek ye my ilfe? I know well for what purpose you are here; ye are hirelings of the priests, employed to destroy me.'

"And they both drew their daggers, and sprang forward to slay me; I said, 'I am not alone,' and instantly they became paralyzed, with their hands outstretched, grasping their daggers, and prompt to strike, but unable to move. I said, 'you are powerless, you cannot kill me, my time is not yet come. Go to your masters and tell them what you have done. I bear no malice against you, or against them; the truth shall make all free.' And I journeyed on towards the

plains; and the assassins returned to the priests and told them that they could not kill me, that I bore a charmed life.

"I then went forward and visited the cities of Tyre and Sidon, there working miracles, or rather working out the law among the people. I first visited Tyre, and there was brought to me a young man obsessed or possessed by demons, or undeveloped spirits. The effect upon him was, that he plucked out and tore his hair, and wounded his body, and fell in agony. And I pitying him, commanded the evil spirits to depart from him, in the name of the Lord. And the possessed man sprang forward to strike me, and spit at me, and I repeated, 'I command you in the name of the Lord to leave this man;' and the obsessed man fell instantly to the ground, weak and exhausted, and apparently dead. And the people who saw it, excitedly rushed forward to take vengeance upon me, but I waved my hand, and said, 'stay, I have done this man no harm, but good,' and I said to him, 'arise,' and once more he was in his right mind and well. And I said to the people, 'you know not what spirit you are of; if I had harmed this young man, there might have been some reason in your anger, but I have restored him to you sound in mind and body, and you would have put me to death, but the time shall come when you shall all repent. I go away, but I shall soon return, and you shall know the power of God that works through me.' And the people threatened my life, if I should dare to return. I said, 'I shall come when ye expect me not, and with the power of the Spirit from Heaven which you cannot conquer.' And I left the City of Tyre, and passed on, and entered the City of Sidon.

"And soon, as I began to speak and to teach, I was met

by great opposition from the priests, and the rulers and the people. Three times they attempted to arrest me by force, but I escaped from them; and the last time they had nearly succeeded in taking me, and I then called for help from Heaven. And immediately, many angels were seen by all, to appear from every direction, and to surround me, forming a celestial guard, which so terrified my enemies, that part of them fell speechless to the ground, and others fled in dismay. And I spake with a loud voice, and said, 'when I shall return, the Spirit of God, my Father, shall come upon you like a two-edged sword, and ye shall be cleft in pieces, and your stiff necks shall be made to bend, and your sullen minds shall be softened'; and I again returned to the plains of Galilee."

Jesus in conclusion says: — "The glory of God shall be manifest upon the earth, as in the heavens. Although the envious Jews* will shut out the light, and say it is darkness, close up their understanding, and say it is foolish to be wise. But the continued morrow of revelation will be unto the children of men, and light shall shine in the dark places, and the love of God shall soften the hardest hearts, and the truth shall make them free from servitude; and they shall come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and they shall sit down together, and eat and drink of the spiritual food which is prepared for them by their Father and my Father, which is in Heaven."

Children sing, "Glorious light is appearing, and angels coming near."

Jesus in opening says, "Light and life are coming into

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* Jews were explained to be those who shut out the light.

the world, and minds here that have so long lain dormant, are discerning it, and feeling the responsibility of their existence." "For they shall not live by bread alone, but every manifested thing on the surface of creation, shall become an assistant in teaching them the true language of life. And the light penetrating and opening their vision, they will see the necessity of individualizing themselves, through the noble capacities of mind towards God and man. And they shall feel that every day has its needs and duties to perform, spiritually, socially and physically, to make it a continued Heaven with all its joy and peace." "My blessing I give, that it may rest on all, and that all being filled with its influence, may fulfil life's duties well."

CONTINUATION OF NARRATIVE.

"In the early part of my nineteenth year, I returned to Galilee, and became again a shepherd; having become exhausted by the continual opposition and difficulty which I had encountered. I taught the shepherds, who gladly listened to me; and also many persons came out from Jerusalem to hear and see, and to talk with me. One day there came some priests in disguise, who had been sent by the chief priests to act as spies, in order to entrap me; and one of them said, 'if you be the Son of God, give us a sign that we may know and worship you.' I said, 'you are a wolf in sheep's clothing; I know who you are; you have come out from the temple disguised; you have come with the multitude, expecting to pass for some of them, and that you could deceive me, believing that I was an impostor. You profess to the people that you have all truth, all knowledge, all life, and outside of the boundaries of your priestly power,

that there is nothing but evil and corruption; and yet every day, my Father which is in Heaven manifests his glory throughout the universe, and his handiwork among the children of men on the earth; you are all vain deceivers, you are an abomination unto the people, and shall die in your sins, and your name shall become a by-word and a reproach, and you shall be scattered among the people wherever the wind shall blow.' And when I had thus spoken, they, seeing that they were discovered, were exceedingly enraged. I continued, and said, 'nevertheless, my Father's will be done; He will give you a sign through me, that you may know that I am truly called and baptized for this work.' And I said, 'In the name of the Most High let the angels descend among this people now.' And immediately there was heard a sound over and around the assemblage as of a mighty wind, and they heard singing in the air, and voices speaking, calling individuals by name, and the priests were confounded, not knowing what they should do, and they threw away their disguises, and ran to the city, fearing the scorn of the people that were there. And I was raised up in the air, and appeared standing upon a little cloud, and around me also appeared a mighty host of angels. And several hundreds of angels descended to the earth, and walked about among the people, and talked with them individually; these being the spirits of relatives of those that were present, who were made glad, although exceedingly astonished and amazed. And I spoke to the people, and said, 'seeing, now believe, hearing, understand; for God will yet manifest Himself truly to all of His children.' And the cloud on which I appeared to stand, increased, and enshrouded me, and I disappeared from their

sight. And the people who had come from Jerusalem returned thither, full of wonder at what they had witnessed, and reported it in the city, so that it was known to many.

"And I then journeyed to the city of Capernaum, accompanied by a host of angels, conversing with them as we went. But as I drew near to the city, I was met by a large company of the people, who were armed, led by the priests and rulers. For they had been told by a false prophet, that I was coming thither to destroy the city, and to kill the people; that I was possessed by a devil, and that they must go out and stop me, and be prepared to take me if I resisted. And as I approached them, accompanied by the host of angels, they supposed that these were troops, with the aid of which I would force an entrance to the city, and they accordingly prepared for battle. But I halted when I came near to them, and said, 'why come ye out here to meet me with men of war, armed and prepared to give battle? For I am a man of peace, and come to you on a mission of mercy and love, having no ill feeling to any one, and as you see I am neither armed nor prepared to fight. But you need not answer. I know why you have come out in battle array; for I know that you have been deceived by the false assertions of a wicked and deceitful spirit, who said that I would come here leading an armed legion, with whose aid I purposed to force my way into your city, and to destroy it and to slay the inhabitants. But I come in the simplicity of the spirit, and my army is a legion of angels, who speak the truth. Now, I pray you to open the way, and let me enter the city peacefully, as a servant of God, that I may preach the truth, and do good to all of you.'"

CLOSING.

"The gifts and callings of God are without repentance; all are called by Him, because they were created by Him, and are clothed with the spirit of love and wisdom, that they may work out their salvation. But they must earn their bread by the sweat of their brows, for by so doing, they shall gather the alphabetical language of Himself, in nature where they toil. The lilly of the valley, though but a simple flower, with its silent perfume can speak more eloquently to the traveller, of Him who created it, than did Solomon with all his words of wisdom. For the little flowers of truth on the roadside of life, shall teach the toilers of the day, of the tender care that God has over them, and over all things that He has created. And may the celestial ether, so enshroud all minds, as to bring peace to them in the day, and in the silence of the night, gentle rest for the work of the morrow."

Children sing, "Glory to God, and peace and good will to men."

Jesus in opening says, "The elements of the soul need watering, as do the plants in the garden, that the refreshing influence may descend into every little flower, and fill the tiny cups full, that they may grow strong, and shed such sweet perfume amid the pathways of life, that many weary travellers may love to wander there, to see the beauty of Godliness, and gather strength from its invigorating atmosphere; for each and all who are here within the sound of my voice, and their number* is many thousands, are all flowers of different kinds and varieties, planted upon all the

* The number of spirits present was estimated at 300,000, and to them as well as to all who may read this, is this intended to be addressed.

avenues and roadsides of life, shedding influence for good or for evil, exhilarating some, depressing others, as they travel onward toward the heavenly garden, into the different flower-beds of life, immortal, according to their grade, and the development of their souls. And may each flower now in the body, be pruned and well fitted here, ere it is transplanted into the spiritual heavenly life. And may all those that hear me, who have left the body, be so cultivated, that each shall be prepared for celestial life. For all must be pruned, and the unhealthy weeds that grow around the root must be plucked out, before they can grow in heavenly life, and shed around them celestial fragrance; and may the spiritual dew-drops of heaven, water the roots and the flowers, that they may grow in loveliness, and ever shed the influence of life to lead them to their Creator."

Jesus is described whilst speaking thus, as holding in his hand flowers.

He continues the narrative of his life. "I still entreated the priests and rulers who had come out from the city of Capernaum, to open the way to the city. They still resisted, and bade me begone, that they wanted me not there. I then kneeled upon the ground, and prayed to the Father to soften their stubborn hearts, and that He might send a spirit upon them with power to show to them that what I said was true. And I arose and asked them to give way, but they answered, 'never.' And I cried with a loud voice three times, with my eyes and hands raised toward Heaven, and when I spoke the third time, there appeared descending from above, a legion of angels armed and prepared to fight them; and all the rulers fell speechless to the earth, and the priests fled to the temples, and the people scattered in

every direction in great fear. They made, however, a barricade to stop my entrance into the city, but I went boldly forward, and many angels were seen clearing away all obstacles before me. As I walked through the streets, the people fled to their houses, and closed them up for fear; and I walked along and spoke to all who might hear, although they were not near, for they feared me. And I went into one of the squares of the city, and desired the angels to walk on the ground with me. After I had passed through the streets to the square, the people came out of their houses and followed; and as the angels began to sing, and chant, the people gathered in the distance, to see and hear what I would do. And I shouted and said, 'go and bring some of the rulers, that I may show the glory of God my Father who is in Heaven, for, for that purpose I am here;' no one stirred for a few moments for fear; and I commanded them again, and said, if they did not obey, that they should be scattered as chaff before the wind, for the law must be fulfilled. For fear of what would be done to them, they went to where the rulers laid, senseless, and apparently dead, and brought some of them to me. I then said, 'tell the priests, both of the Jews and of the idolaters to come to me; else I will myself go to the temples of the idolaters, and to the synagogues of the Jews after them.' And when they had received this message, they immediately came, trembling with fear, supposing that I might destroy them. And I said, 'for your disobedience, behold these prostrate men. Now bring them to life, in the name of God I command it.' This was to show to the people, the inefficiency of all that they could do, and prove to them my divine power; the people having gathered from all parts, fearing

that I would destroy the city and the inhabitants. And they sent for remedies to try to restore the rulers to their senses, and made use of every means in their power, and after they had worked for some thirty minutes without success, the priests tried to escape back to their temples and synagogues. But I said, 'there is no return to whence you came until you hear me, or Him that sent me, for you are hypocrites and deceivers.'

"'By the power of Heaven I have been sent here to cleanse your city, and regenerate your minds; and woe be unto each and all of you, priests, and scribes, and rulers, if ye hear and do not; for ye have kept the people blind long enough; they have eaten of the husks, and they have drank of your stagnant waters, and yet die. Now ye shall know by the power of God, that these men are not dead, although you have believed that they were; and before you again return to your temples and synagogues, you shall see and hear from that power which goes with me. For you are surrounded by a host of angels, and cannot leave this place.' And I said, 'let those rulers who are apparently dead, arise in the full vigor of life, and let them speak for themselves.' And when the multitude found that I harmed them not, they gathered nearer to me to hear and to see. And I said, 'all of you who have suffered for disobeying the law, speak.' And they all began to relate their experience, stating, that they felt something coming from above upon their brains, which penetrated the very life of their being, and the muscles were benumbed, and they fell to the ground. But that they had an inward consciousness of life, and heard voices talking and reasoning with them, although they were unable to move. They were told of the mission of Jesus, by

angels, who showed to them that he was true and honest, and that he would do them good, and that they must go and bear witness for him. When the priests heard this, they said, 'we believe you not; you too are deceived.' No sooner had they thus spoken these words, when Jesus said, 'your sins be upon you,' and all of the priests fell to the ground as if dead."

Jesus says in closing, "In this narrative, and that which is to follow, will be seen and known my mission in the world. For at times great power had to be shown, blended with mercy, in order that truth might prevail over error, and the love of God shown in the hearts of the people, and that the spiritual fire of Heaven might descend and purge the temples and the synagogues, by burning up the errors of the past into the newness of a spiritual life. And may all the spiritual temples be so cleansed and purified in the new resurrection, that the errors and ills of the past, shall have no power over mankind to destroy or lay waste; that there may be joy in heaven and earth, united in one forever. I give my blessing to each and all."

Children sing, "To the happy spirits now we come."

OPENING.

Jesus says, "As the stars shine in the blue firmament of Heaven, and each gives light according to its apparent magnitude, some sparkling very brightly, whilst others dimly shed their light, yet all are essential in the Heavens, and have their places to fill; so with the great number of spirits here assembled; all are to represent souls in the universe of Heaven, and so shed their light and fulfill their law, that each and all may accomplish in the grand design of the

universal architect, his or her particular part; each filling a place, and extending some influence according to its identity, not one having been made in vain, but all from the most perfect to the imperfect, will be able to do some good in its sphere of action. For the great Father who thus created them all, knows what is best to carry out the law individually and collectively, for He doeth all things well. And may the influence of the Holy Spirit brighten, and more fully perfect each and all of you this morning, that you may shed greater light, and become more loving in all of your different spheres of duty, that the whole celestial world may beam with your reflection; and as the stars in the sky sparkle at night, and often speak to the traveller in earth's scenes, of the great hand that thus designed all things for good in the higher life, so may your light shine from the soul, on the night of man's wanderings, to know of his immortality, bring peace to his mind, and immortal daylight to the soul, showing and pointing out to him, the true pathway to walk in, and the right way to worship his Creator in spirit and in truth."

Jesus continues his narrative. "After the priests at Capernaum had fallen to the ground and became as if dead, the people fled in great dismay, fearing that they also would be struck down. But I cried with a loud voice, and said, 'Fear not; remain and see the works about to be done through me, for no man will be harmed, neither woman nor child. For you have all been led in darkness and error, and have daily suffered for the wrong doing of these priests, and my mission here, is to open your eyes that you may see, and to bid you hear and understand, and to check the power of these who destroy. Now you shall see that the

priests are not dead; and they shall testify to what they have seen and heard whilst they were apparently senseless.' And I said, 'in the name of God our great spiritual Father, arise, and stand upon your feet.' And in a few moments they were revived, and were all again in the full vigor of life. And I said to them, 'say what you know and have heard, to these people; and let every word that you utter be the living truth.' And the priests began to relate their experience (whilst they were lying apparently insensible); and as they spoke, the people marvelled and could hardly believe them. One of the priests elevated his hand, and began to speak falsely, and immediately his hand was paralyzed, and his tongue clove to the roof of his mouth, and his eyes looked wild; and the other priests, and all the company overcome by fear started to run, but the host of angels who were stationed outside of them would allow none to pass. I said, 'this is but the punishment for testifying falsely. Now look at this man, put your hands upon him; you see he is rigid and like a statue.' And many came and looked at, and felt of him. I then said, 'in the name of my Father which is in Heaven, let all these muscles be relaxed.' And I waved my hands over the priest, and he was in an instant restored, and became whole. I then said, 'go and bring hither some of the sick.' And in order to try me, they brought to me a madman, who was bound in chains, which was necessary to prevent his wounding and tearing himself. And when he was brought to me, he frothed at the mouth, and made desperate efforts to free himself, so that it required all of the strength of the chains to hold him. And as soon as my eyes rested upon him, I said to the priests, 'you have bereft this man of his reason with your false

doctrine and belief; you have caused him to be brought to defy the power of my Father which works through me, for you are a generation of evil doers, and your works follow you, and this man is one of its signs; and now you shall see as a sign from Heaven, the glory of God revealed in this man, for He will press your works under His feet, and your power shall be overthrown.' And I said, 'In the name of the living God, come to your right mind, and be now sound in body;' and immediately he became calm and sensible, understanding and obeying what was said to him. And I said, 'take the chains from him, they are no longer needed.' The man when he observed the chains, was astonished that he was bound, and the multitude held up their hands in wonder at his sudden restoration. I said to him, 'speak, and relate your history.

"And the man spoke with a loud voice so that all could hear, and said that he had been very wicked, had disobeyed all law, and defied all power; but that at last his mind had become very uneasy, and he was depressed in spirit. And hoping to get some relief or consolation, he applied to one of the priests of the Greek or Roman Deities, but the priest finding that he was poor, and could give him no money, spurned him with contempt, and told him to begone. He then sought assistance from the Jewish Rabbies, and implored them to give to him strength and consolation, but they told him that he was forever damned, and must die in his sins. And whilst they talked to him, he became a raving maniac. But he said, 'now I am made whole, I know not by what power, only that this good man has made me so. I will go with you, and do whatever you wish me to do.' And I put my hand upon the man's head, and said, 'your

sins be forgiven.' And he was so overjoyed that he began to sing and to chant. And many of his friends rushed in around me, and fell upon the ground to worship me. But I said, 'neither worship, nor thank me; for I am only a servant of the Most High. I have come here to bless, and not to destroy.'"

In closing, Jesus says, "The spiritual element, which comes to make all well and whole, both in body and in mind, shall also open their eyes to see, and their ears to hear, and they shall come and go in the freedom of spirit, which shall quicken their understanding and animate their souls; that the rays that shine from it may light some traveller's pathway, and be as a lighted lamp to some weary soul in darkness, and to some in sorrow, and be as a Heavenly messenger to many who are asking for the knowledge of the way to righteousness and peace, and impress them with words of thoughtful prayer to their spiritual Father which is in Heaven, and the blessings of the spirit, be on each and all of you."

Children sing, "This is the way to bless the soul."

OPENING.

Children sing, "Hail, chief of light."

Jesus has in his hand a branch of the palm, which he waves; many others also have them.

He says, "This is the day which is observed in celebration of my entry into Jerusalem. The palm indicates peace. The outward man is ready for, and undertakes warfare, the inward man establishes peace. The manifestations of life are many, and every day they cast their own figures around, among the scenes of earth. Some of these

cause sweet communion with the Lord, and some give evil communications which corrupt the heart. But ever in considering the past, shall the palm-tree wave as an emblem of peace on earth, and the loving will of God in Heaven, to His children below. And the sun of righteousness shall shine more brilliantly, and whoever will open their souls, shall see the prismatic emblem of their Creator shining upon the reflecting glass of conscience, and this so full of goodness, that they shall be attracted to love Him more and more. And may the rays of that divine light, so illuminate the tablet of memory this morning, that each and all can discern the figures cast upon it, that when they are all united and summed up, they shall make Heaven and earth one, and God the great Father of them all. And may the divine sun illuminate every soul that comes here to gather wisdom."

In continuation of the narrative, Jesus says, "After the restoration of the madman, I told them to bring others of the sick. And they brought to me a child of the age of twelve years, so afflicted with rheumatism, that the joints of his limbs had worked out from their proper places. And I said, 'here is the work of some who profess to be physicians, who, not understanding the mysteries of godliness, cannot understand the human body. They work experimentally upon it, as you have experimented by means of the priests and rulers to find the Heavens. This is one of the manifestations of their discord. I will restore this body to order and harmony, which is the manifest law of God. And I held my hands up toward Heaven, and drew from a little white cloud that descended over me, a transparent substance, like ointment; and with it I chafed all of the joints

of the child, that were diseased, and also his body three times, each time putting up my hands for a fresh supply of the ointment, and each time applying it to the child. I then took the left hand of the boy in my left hand, and said, 'In the name of God, I command you to walk and be whole.' And at once he arose and walked, and was entirely restored. And the father and mother of the child were so overjoyed and grateful, that they desired to embrace me. But I said, 'go your way, and rejoice in Him who through me has restored your child to you.' And the multitude set up a shout, being excited and astonished at what had been done.

"Then was brought to me a young woman of the age of twenty years, whose head had been drawn down by the effect of disease, to the right shoulder, and no one had been able to cause the muscles to be relaxed so that she could raise it to its natural position. And I said, 'truly this young woman has suffered much, and she shall have greater rejoicing, for this is the effect of a sin transmitted to her from her ancestors; she shall be again made whole.' And I at once put both hands upon her neck, and chafed it, and then I upraised my hand, and there was seen to come from the white cloud which still remained there, a substance like oil, and I bathed the head, and neck, and shoulders of the girl, and all saw her head rise up to its natural position, and the multitude marveled how it could be done. And I said, 'all of the sins of the past generation which have descended to you, and caused great suffering, in the name of the great spiritual Father, are now forgiven; go, worship and love Him, and allow no other sin to come upon you.' And she knelt upon the ground and prayed, as I bade her do, and she arose and went her way. And as she passed among the

multitude, many pressed forward to examine her, and to see if it was really true that she had been thus wonderfully restored. There was then brought to me a man of forty years of age; he had sinned much against the law, from his youth up, which had been the cause of his infirmities. And when he came near to me, he fell prostrate to the ground, for he was sore afraid. But I put my hand upon his shoulder, and said, 'stand up, no one will harm you.' And I put my hands one on each ear, and spoke to him, and he heard what I said, and answered by a sign. I then put my right hand upon the top of his head, and my left hand upon his throat, and in about one minute he spoke clear and distinctly. I then made some passes over his head and neck, and said, 'all of the past is forgiven; go, and see that you sin no more, for if you do, these infirmities will all return to you;' and the man was so overjoyed that he wanted to embrace me and to thank me. But I said, 'do it not; for I am only a ministering spirit, sent to this city to do you all good. Love and serve God, and all will be well.' After this there was brought to me an old woman, who was afflicted with many infirmities, having running issues from her body which no one could stop, and she was laid down before me. I said, 'this shall be a sign of the power of God to you, she shall be made every whit whole.' And I lifted my face and hands toward Heaven, and cried with a loud voice to my Father, saying, 'if I am thy child and ministering spirit to the earth, show through me now thy power; let thy love and the fulfillment of the law be manifested on this woman, for a sign to all of these people that I am true.' And I said, 'let the angels descend and heal her;' and suddenly were seen angels walking around her, singing and making passes

with their hands over her, and in a few moments she arose from her couch on which she had been brought, and stood erect, and cried, 'I am getting well, I am getting well.' Whilst the angels were making the passes over her, the people present could see the magnetism proceeding from their hands, which had the appearance of vapor or steam.

"After the recovery of the woman, I said, 'glory to God, and peace on earth. I now shall leave you, but ere long I shall return. In an hour that ye know not, I shall enter your city again, and I shall know all that you have done in my absence; and wo be unto all of you who have not gathered wisdom from these works that I have done among you.' And a large cloud descended from the sky, and enveloped me, and when it lifted up, I was no longer to be seen.

In closing, he says, "Great signs in the past were required by the people, to test and realize my mission. And so has it always been from time immemorial to the present day, that the children of men consult priests and oracles, and emblematical letters, and scrutinize symbols, to find out the mysterious working of God upon earth. And that each and all of you gathered here, may become a true sign and prophet to yourselves, and by the revelations given, knowing the way wherein you travel, to find and realize the celestial Heaven of bliss, are these things given by me, so that you may stumble not, that you may walk uprightly, and love God and serve Him with all your spirit and strength. I give my blessing to all."

The children assisted by others, spread branches of palms and flowers in his way, and sing, "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou happy home." The company inside and outside of the

circle, are about three hundred and fifty thousand in number.

OPENING.

The children and many others, come in holding in their hands a profusion of flowers, which they strew in the path of Jesus. They sing, "The spirit now is born anew, through influence from Heaven."

Jesus says, "Although the storm be in the outside world, and the rain descends, and the snow flutters in the air, yet inwardly the soul can be at peace, and have the joyous influence from Heaven descend upon it. In Adam, which represents the physical body, all must die; so by the influence of the Christ in the soul by the new resurrection, shall all be made alive. Such is Easter Sunday. And as the bird that wings his flight high in the atmosphere, and sings his notes of joy, so shall the new born spirit mount into the spirit atmosphere, and sing the divine notes of love; and so may every soul here, be gradually unfolded to ascend into this sublime condition, being constantly brighter, having a perpetual easter resurrection, and dwell with God forever. I give my spiritual blessing of the morning to all alike."

In continuation of the narrative, he says, "I found myself walking on the plains of Galilee. I was directed by the angels to return to the shepherd life, to replenish and reinvigorate my vital body, which by continued labor had become exhausted, and I rested with the shepherds many days. Some days I would be entirely in the spirit, knowing none around me, receiving instructions from angels, and directions for my future labor. After having become thoroughly recuperated, I again set out and travelled towards

Egypt, and on my way I met with a caravan which was conveying merchandise to Jerusalem. It consisted of many persons, and I bid them halt, and said, 'I perceive that you have among you robbers, who with their stolen goods are going to Jerusalem.' And at once a number of them surrounded me, intending to take my life; denied my authority and my charge of theft, calling me a madman, and said, 'for this rashness you shall now die;' and they rushed toward me with drawn swords to slay me. I raised my hands toward Heaven, and instantly they all fell to the ground, (before they could reach me,) and some of their companions who had come to assist, stood still when they saw what had occurred. I said, 'this is well, for the glory of God shall come down upon you. I, you see am alone, and an unarmed traveller, whilst you have many men well armed; but God my Father who dwells in Heaven, is mighty and eternal, and by the power which caused you to fall to the ground, now arise. You would have taken my life because I spoke the truth, and said that you had robbers and thieves among you.' And they all arose more frightened than at first, seeing that my power over them was so great. And I said, 'put up your swords, those are only used in the passion and hate of men; my tongue is a two-edged sword when controlled by the spirit of truth, and can divide bone and marrow, joint and sinew, as I shall now do with this your caravan, by causing a great division among you; and those that you esteem most, your leaders, are thieves and robbers.' And they again rushed forward to kill me; I said, 'stay your hands, you cannot take my life.' And I pointed out the leaders, and called them by name, and said, 'a part of this merchandise you have stolen,

and now go to offer it for sale in another city, deny it if you can.' And they trembled like leaves in the wind. And I pointed to the leader whom they most respected, and said, 'you are a vain, wicked man; you are filthy from your head to your feet, and if you do not repent, you will die in your sins.' And the leader fell down before me, and wept like a child, and said, 'save me, save me,' for he felt his infirmities coming upon him. I said, 'it is well, this indeed is repentance; arise, stand up;' and I put my hand upon his head, and said, 'you are forgiven, sin no more; take the goods to Jerusalem, and send for the owners to come there and get them.'

"And all of the people who composed the caravan, gathered around me, and begged of me to go with them. I said, 'nay, but tarry thou here two days with me, that I may show to you the glory of God, and bring joy to your hearts.' The number of men who composed the caravan, was about five hundred. After reasoning with them a short time, they pitched their tents. And some of them said to me, 'two of our camels are sick, tell us what to do for them, we ask you for we find that you are a good man, and have great power.' And I said, 'lead the camels to me.' One of them from being overloaded had become lame in the back. I directed water to be brought, and I pointed with my forefinger upwards, and instantly, some substance descended into the water, and I said to one of these men, 'pour this water on to the lame parts of the camel's back, and cause her to walk, and she limped no more, but was well. The other was a dromedary, with diseased lungs, which whilst eating and breathing produced a whistling noise. I chafed the throat of the animal three times with my right hand, and so

intense was the action of the influence upon the animal, that it groaned and kicked, but after the third application of my hand it was well. And the person who had charge, asked, 'how do you do this?' and I answered and said, 'by the same power that I commanded you to stay. I am a servant of the living God, whom you know not; but I will show you how to find and worship Him.' I then called a large number of the persons attached to the caravan, each by their respective names, told them of their birth, and described many scenes that they had passed through since they were born, called the names of friends and children who were dead, and mentioned many interesting occurrences that were connected with them whilst they were upon earth. And they began to be afraid, and I said, 'what fear you, is not this the truth that I speak? Greater things I will now show to you; look up! Let them see through the power of our Father, that they may understand.' And every one did see their friends around them, and they cried out with wonder and amazement, and said, 'can this be true!'"

CLOSING.

In closing, Jesus says, "Those that yet dwell in their bodies, are constantly asking for signs and wonders, and although the spirit world is ever with them, and the friends that they have loved walk around them daily, yet those in the body are truly dead to the intent and purpose of life; they know neither their existence, or why they stay upon the earth. How then can they know God, or the future life? But as came the easter resurrection morning to me, when my spiritual body took form to return to the earth to minister to the children of men, so may all of these spirits

rise higher and higher, and be fully embodied, to return back to the earth, and bear with them flowers of Heaven, and be ministering spirits, showing the new resurrection in the easter morning birthday, so that they shall drive away the darkness of the Friday of death, and be as a shining light in the valley, to the shadow which the tomb casts over them, taking away the sting of death, and crowning them with immortal life and glory. And may all that are here, or that shall come here, hear and see, feel and understand, that God loves all, for they are all His children, and He is trying with His love to draw them near to Him."

All the great multitude of three hundred and eighty thousand join in singing as he chants, "Joy to the world, a saving power has come, which points his children onward to their home."

OPENING.

The procession approaching is estimated at one hundred and fifty thousand. The children sing, "Hail, Lord of light."

Jesus in opening says, "The spring morning of the day, after the sweet sleep of the hours of the night, is the time when the soul should soar into the spiritual regions to gather the dew-drops, that will give it life and inspiration for the journey of the day, that like the flower that opens its cups to get water, that it may grow, so should the soul of man drink in these little drops of dew, that will be refreshment to his nature, and quickening all of the nobler impulses of his being, he should live constantly to learn that the most noble truths of God, are the most beautiful and simple when rightly understood, and that as the Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath, he may rest

from the weary toils of the day, and strengthen his body, and open the tiny cups of the soul, and gather in sweet thoughts of life from Heaven, be invigorated and renewed by the sweet inspiration from the Father in Heaven, that when again he enters the busy haunts of men, he can look pleasantly back on the past, and have no sorrow for the opening day.

"So may all that are here on this Sabbath morning, be ready to receive within the cups of the soul, the falling dew-drops of truth from Heaven, and by the chemical sunlight of the law, shed sweet influence around in their spheres of life, making all happy and holy, learning to work out the entire will of their maker, God, forever."

In continuation of the narrative, Jesus says, "I remained with the caravan two days, and sat with them, and they heard angels singing, whilst I was giving them instruction, and then all, both angels and mortals sang together. And I was raised from the earth several times, to show to them the wonderful power which attended me; and they were all much amazed at what they saw and heard, and their souls were filled with words of wisdom which fell from my lips, and they expressed great joy.

"I said, 'now the glory of God has been manifested to you, depart in peace.' They said, 'tarry, or go on the journey with us,' but I said, 'no, I must be about my Father's business, for I have a work to do.' And I gave them my blessing, and passed on to Tyre and Sidon.

"And when I came to Tyre, the inhabitants all ran and shut themselves up in their houses, for I had said that I would return when they knew it not, and they feared that I might avenge myself for the past, and destroy them. I

proceeded through the town to the market place, but none came out to meet me, all having hidden themselves through fear. I began to chant and sing under the influence of the spirit, and so sweet and pleasant were the sounds, that they gradually came forward to learn what it was, and when they found that I harmed them not, they ventured to come nearer to me; and I said, 'Fear not! I am but a man made like yourselves, only the power of my Father which is in Heaven, is manifested through me to do you all good.

"'Come one and all, gather around me, open your ears, and hear what I have to say to you. I love all, and hate none, and He that works through me, is my Father and your Father.' And I spoke to them of the Kingdom of Heaven, and of the joy and happiness that should come from that world of immortality, and of the light that was shedding its rays in the dark places of the earth. And I said, 'now bring to me the sick, and the halt, and the lame, and the blind, that I may heal them.' Many ran to bring them. The first that was brought, was a child of three years of age, whose spine was bent or crooked from its birth. I took the child in my arms, and said, 'behold this deformity, which is caused by want of knowledge how to deal with the human body. This child will I now restore to full health, in the name of God my Father who dwells in the vast heavens.' I said, 'bring me some oil,' (speaking to an angel who brought to me the oil,) but the people also supposing that I spoke to them, ran to get oil, and were astonished at what I did, fearing that I would kill the child. But I said, 'this oil comes from Heaven,' and I poured some of it upon the child's head, and it ran down the spine, and I blew upon it with my breath, and they all saw it

absorbed in. I then with my hand anointed the head of the child, and passed my hand up and down on the spine several times, and the back was made whole and straight; and I said, 'thank God for it;' and restored the child to its mother, who with tears thanked me. The multitude who saw it stood amazed, not knowing what to say.

"Then was brought to me two twin girls, of about the age of twelve years, who were afflicted with sores upon their bodies, so that the skin was dropping in pieces off from them; and I said, 'this is a sad sight, for they suffer much, and have sinned not; let me see their parents.' But the parents would not come forward, (being afraid,) and I called twice, and then commanded them in a loud voice, in the name of God to come, or suffer. 'I know all that you have done; I am the Christ, and you shall all know it.' And the parents of the twins stepped out from among the multitude with fear and trembling, and fell upon their knees, and said, 'let us alone; we want not to do with you. You are an enchanter and wizard, let us alone.' I said, 'the guilty need not to be accused; your suffering now is greater than you can bear, and your infirmities and sins many; for you have some knowledge, and know the law, and have not obeyed it, and great has been your suffering for it; now stand upon your feet and fear not; these are your children, see what you have done unto them; they suffer for your transgressions.' And addressing the husband, I said, 'you are a teacher and ruler of the people; you say to others go and do, yet do not yourself. Now these children I shall make whole, to show to all of you the power and glory of God;' and I moved my hand through the air over them, and they gradually began to be covered with a thick mist, so that

none could see them, and they remained covered by it for the space of about two minutes. I then waved my hand upwards over the mist, and it disappeared. The children exclaimed, 'how happy we feel!' But the parents spoke not, for they were afraid, not liking what I had said to them. I then said to them, 'your sins still be upon you, go and repent.'"

CLOSING.

In closing, Jesus says, "As came light and life into the world, so came sorrow and death, that the end might justify the means, in the spiritual birth over all; for as in Adam all must change, so in the spiritual Christ shall all truly realize life immortal.

"It was so ordained in the beginning of Creation, that everything should have its time and season, that the law might be fulfilled, should have its day of pleasure and its night of rest; and through all these various changes should come to the knowledge of the true Sabbath of the Lord.

"And may all of you here present, find sweet rest, which you have now entered into in its first principles, until you shall have arrived in your home in the celestial Heaven. He chants, (joined by the great multitude of four hundred thousand present,) "Glory to God on High, and peace on earth, and good will to men.'"

OPENING.

As the great procession enters the circle, Jesus chants, accompanied by the children, and the great multitude who precede and follow him, the words, "We come to bring new light to man, new light to man."

Jesus in opening says, "These are all my friends. I dis-

cern in the world of mind a great commotion. Men are divided in opinion in religion, and in matters relating to government. One class, (from their interpretation of the prophecies,) looking for the millenium, and expecting that they shall be caught up and conveyed to Heaven, whilst all others shall be destroyed by fire; that the world shall be purged from all of its iniquities, and become as a new earth, and that then they will descend and occupy it only for themselves, and live as it were in close communion with God. These comprise two or more divisions, with more or less of differences of opinion.

"The Jews thinking that Christ has never appeared upon the earth, and is about to come, and that the mental and physical world in their commotion, foreshadow his coming, and that he will come to reign over them, and that they will go back to Jerusalem, which will be rebuilt in greater splendor than before, and that he will be their King, and that their altars shall again be reared, and sacrifices offered upon them to Jehovah as before.

"The political agitators believe, that this state of unrest betokens an overturn in the great ideas of government, which shall be purified from the corruption that prevails, and that all monarchical governments shall be replaced by those of a liberal character, so that the people shall have more of choice in rulers, instead of the one man or one woman power as now, by Kings, Queens, and Emperors.

"Whilst the few truly religious souls, find in it, only the quaking of the outward world, with the tempest of thought not guided by reason or judgment, to find the spirit not there. But in the sweet soft breathing of inspiration which gently steals over their souls, shall man find his true Re-

deemer, these only preparing the way, when sweet shall be the breathing, comforting, and supporting influence of the spirit, and they shall sit under their own vine and fig-tree, without fear of interruption from any one, and they shall love God with their whole souls, and their neighbor as themselves."

CONTINUATION OF NARRATIVE.

Jesus says, "I again caused the mist to fall upon and around the two girls, and the multitude could hear them say, 'how pleasant is this feeling, we are better,' whilst the parents in the distance watched me, fearing that I would cast a spell upon them, believing me to be a wizard, and that I did this by the power of the devil. Observing them I said with a loud voice, 'depart, repent of your sins and be whole.' And they at once began to rave as if crazy, and the people ran and surrounded them to see what was the matter. And they said that something was biting them all over their bodies, and they began to tear their flesh, and pull their hair in agony, and said to the people, (who questioned them,) 'he has bewitched us.' The man being a ruler and a priest, and having much power with the people, said, 'why do you suffer him here? he soon will destroy us all if you do not drive him away.' The people at this appeal became much excited, and rushed forward with great noise and confusion. I said, 'stand! you cannot harm me; these people are sinners against the law, now will I show to you the fullness of God's power.' Nevertheless the parents of the children still endeavored to excite the people to drive me away, but I said, 'now you have fulfilled the law by suffering, come hither to me.' But they came not. I said to the people, 'go and bring them.' But they were afraid. I

then said, 'let the angels bring them here.' And in a few moments they came forward, compelled by angels who were around them, and visible to all; the parents crying aloud with fear. When they had come within a few paces, I said, 'wretched people, do you think that my Father in Heaven, will allow you to control this multitude to harm me? No, for this is but a visitation upon you, caused by your own works through the spirit. I have directed it to be intensified on you; now go your way, be whole, sin no more, and mind that you obey the law, or greater things than these shall visit you.' I then waved my hands over the cloud that enveloped the daughters, and said, 'go to your parents, you are well and whole, seek God and love Him, for I shall come again and do greater works than these.' And I was enveloped by a cloud and disappeared."

CLOSING.

In closing, Jesus says, "The manifestations of the spirit, shall work out many of the ills of life, and cause great rejoicing among the people; but it must come to each one severally as they will. Great power was given me by the Father from Heaven, to work out and manifest the principles of the law to mankind. So shall each one become a worker in the great vineyard of reform; correcting his own imperfections first, that he may be able to do more good to humanity, by seeing the ills and that which is needed to correct them. And may every spirit thrust the beam out of his own eye, then can he see the mote in his brother's eye, that all may work through the harmonious law of God for the good of all. And may the spirit of love quicken you for this great work ever."

He chants, accompanied by the four hundred thousand present, "Our Father who dwells in Heaven, peace and joy to earth he brings."

"I bless all within the sound of my voice."

OPENING.

Jesus in opening says, "The peace of the spirit be unto all this morning. There is but one morning on the earth here, and that should be made perpetual, and it is manifest only when the soul seeks its divine author; then its sweet influence is drawn out, and the simplicity of the child character made apparent. For it wishes to take all in its embrace, and feels a desire to make all happy; it sees God in all things for good, and is delighted in the many things that are placed before them, that all may learn of Him. So, life being apparent in its outward form, will the soul grow towards its true development, and every true word is like an atom of bread, to give it strength to investigate farther to gain knowledge.

"I will welcome the many visitors from the suns and planets, (who are here seeking to get wisdom's bread,) to our festive table this morning, and trust that on their return home to the different spheres from whence they have come, that they may act as faithful messengers, distributing crumbs on their journeys, carrying glad tidings to many souls, making a faithful report of that which they have seen and heard, and with the spirit of love and good will, I extend the right hand of fellowship to the Christ reformers and all present."

Note. It may be mentioned, that this day there had arrived from a great interior sun, far beyond the milky way, and described as seventy times greater than our sun, ten Christs, the same number of Emperors, and the same number of

CONTINUATION OF NARRATIVE.

Jesus says, 'I again found myself on the plains of Galilee; for I needed rest after the many trials and difficulties that I had had to contend with. Soon, however, it was noised abroad in and around Jerusalem, that I had returned, and many persons came out to see and to talk with me, and entreated me to come to Jerusalem, for I was much needed there. I said, 'not now; fields more barren than that city, require to be ploughed deeply by the spirit of truth, the soil to be turned over, and made ready for seed; to those fields should I go.' They asked, 'how long do you stay here?' I answered, 'seven days, and then shall again proceed upon my mission.' They then asked if they should tell the people what they had seen and heard, and I answered, 'yes.' And large numbers of the people came out from the city to be with me, for they hungered and thirsted for more righteousness. On the second day of my tarry, at about the hour of noon, a large multitude had gathered around me, and I stood in the midst, and all very happy; a large white cloud gathered over them, and I was caught up into the cloud, and as it broke away, I appeared to be standing in the air. And some of the people who believed in me more truly than others, said, 'let us also go up there;' and I said, 'all those who have true faith in God, may come up;' and I waved my hand three times down and up, and instantly ten persons began to rise from the ground; but two of them as they began to rise, were afraid, and instantly fell to the ground. I said, 'oh ye of little faith! could you not trust

Vice-Emperors, attended by twenty thousand followers. These being in addition to the great number of Christs and rulers from other suns and planets, and following the law of the size of the men to the sphere, these were described as being fifteen feet in height.

the Lord? Now stand,' and I commanded them to rise, and they came up with the rest. And those that remained upon the ground began to move away for fear that they also would be caught up, but I said, 'tarry until I come back.' And soon we were all lost to view, having been gone from sight about thirty minutes, when the cloud opened and we all came to the ground. I said, 'while I am here, I will labor in the service of my Father in Heaven.'

"The people said, 'give us bread and water, we are hungry and thirsty.' I said to them, 'I have given you bread, and yet you hunger; you have had water, and yet thirst. How much longer shall I deal with you in this manner? You care only for the outward world, not the spiritual; for if you had spiritual faith, all would be given to you.' And I said with a loud voice, 'let the angels bring bread and water, and show to them still another sign; that God is able and ready to help all of His children.'

"And the people heard a sound above them as of the rustling of dry leaves, and suddenly there appeared walking around them, angels, with skins of water, and little baskets full of bread. And I said, 'eat, drink, and be filled;' and angels began to give out to the multitude, bread and water, and whilst they were eating and drinking, there came upon them suddenly from the Heavens, a sound as of a mighty wind, and some cried out, and said that they felt hands upon them, and some spoke with tongues, others prophesied, others were raised up into the air, and brought back, until the entire company of about four hundred souls were all in motion, swerving to and fro, hardly knowing what they were doing, so great was the power around them. I said to them, 'this is the effect of the outpouring of the

spirit,' and they were so much impressed, that they pressed toward me to touch me, or to touch my garments. I said, 'thank me not, but look up.' And they beheld all around them, on the earth, and in the air, a great number of angels walking, and they heard them sing, and many of the people were called by name, and many of the company recognized among the spirits, those that they had formerly known. And joy was great among the multitude, and they remained all of the night there, and in the morning returned to the city, and related what had been done."

CLOSING.

In closing, Jesus says, "The true thought that is uttered from the interior soul, is bread indeed, and the falling particles of inspirational dew is the water of life, and it is free for all; no one shall have it all, for as each and every one needs some, so shall it be shared in the multitude of earth's children, and not only shall they eat and drink, as in the kingdom of Heaven, with the loved friends who once dwelt upon earth, but the angels have come to stir the healing waters, that the sick may receive from the bounteous hand of their Father, balms of life to renew and invigorate them, and each shall feel that He has a care over them daily, by His ministering spirits, and that they shall at last find a home of rest and peace to the soul. And may all who dwell in the earthly sphere, seek to understand the ministering of spirits or angels to them, and be prepared for the coming of the great kingdom, and God shall dwell with His children, and they shall love Him; for this end do I come here, and the light I bring and the words that I speak to each and all of you, may they be as strength to assist you to gain more and more of God's love.

"And may all of the visitors who are with us this morning, who have come from the many distant and great suns, and from the smaller suns and planets, return home, pleased with their journeys, and with the results of what they have seen and heard, and spread the knowledge that they have acquired, until all the suns, worlds, and universes, shall resound with hallelujah to God. And may it so ever be."

Jesus chants, accompanied by the great multitude of four hundred and thirty thousand spirits, "See the darkness rolls away, man grows immortal every day."

OPENING.

As the procession approaches, Jesus chants, accompanied by the children and the great number who precede and follow him, "Hark, the spirit's warning cry, prepare to live, and not to die."

He says, "It is pleasant to meet so many souls who have come to get their spiritual atom of bread; for this will be the noonday passover which he gets from the Father's bounteous storehouse, and as a ministering spirit, I distribute it to the children; for all in the universe are needy, seeking light, and asking for strength, and as I said in old times when upon earth, whosoever shall give a cup of cold water, to one the least of these, so shall he receive again from the bounty of Heaven; he shall receive a goblet full, running over; for these are lambs and sheep of the Father's flock, and I would act as the good shepherd to them, under instructions from the Lord to have a watchful care over them and feed them; and if any stray from the fold, I will bring them back, and if they are in sorrow, with loving words will I soothe them, and lead them into fresh

pastures, where they will find plenty and peace, and to pure rivulets to drink when they are thirsty, and they shall thirst no more. I would have one great sheepfold, and one good shepherd, that shall watch over all alike; and as you are all that are here this morning, but sheep and lambs in the great pasture of my Heavenly Father, so would I breathe words upon you that shall be as pure water to your souls to refresh them, and you shall have the sweet crumbs to eat, that will strengthen the soul, as the fresh grass of spring that makes glad the cattle in the fields.

"And may the spirit of God, the living Father of us all, so bathe you in the limpid dews of Heaven, that when you go back to your several spheres, and suns, and planets, in the different universes which are your homes, you may know and do His will better than ever before; and may the blessings of the spiritual Father, be with you through all time without end. Amen."

CONTINUATION OF NARRATIVE.

In continuation of the narrative, Jesus says, "The people who had been with me on the plains of Galilee, returned to the city of Jerusalem and its vicinity, and on the following day there came out from the city many, and also there gathered with them the shepherds from all the plains adjacent, numbering in all about one thousand persons. And among them was one man who came up close to me, and said, that he loved me so dearly, that he would be willing to give his life for me, and threw himself at my feet; but I said, 'arise, you hypocrite and deceiver; you are one of the hirelings of the priests; you are rich in this world's goods, think you that you can deceive me? I have already read

you from your birth; you are a child born full of the passions of a priest; you are an illegitimate child of one; from your birth you have been nursed, fed, and cared for by priests, and are now sent here to try me; would you give all that you have to the poor and follow me? Not one farthing would you offer, yet you brought the lie here in your mouth. Now go back to the masters who hired you, and tell them what I have said, and to come themselves and not to send you; I shall remain here to meet them.' The man stood upon his feet, and shook like an aspen leaf, and set out to return to the city, trembling as he went. And I spoke with a loud voice to those which were assembled, and said, 'The kingdom of Heaven must come upon the earth by power, which shall bring to naught the vain pretences of man, and show to him how feeble he is when with error and falsehood he attempts to deal with truth.'

"I began to sing and chant, and in a few seconds, singing and chanting were heard in the air, from spirits around them, and many cried, and said, 'look up to the Heavens, and see what is coming!' And as the people were observing the things in motion above them, I disappeared from them, and then reappeared among the clouds in the air, surrounded by several hundreds of angels, and then, accompanied by them, gradually descended to the earth, which was witnessed by all that were assembled.

"As soon as all the angels had gathered among the company, a large white cloud gathered over them, and the people began to move backward and forward, and cried out, and said, 'the earth is breaking to pieces under our feet, save us!' (But this was a spiritual action on the bodies and brains of the people, and not any movement of the earth.)

They continued in this condition for the space of two hours, and then gradually sank to earth in a state of partial trance, not knowing what they were doing; night came on, and I laid down and slept with them, and continued in a partial sleep until the morning."

CLOSING.

In closing, Jesus says, "Sweet is the sleep of the spirit; it has placed its trust in its maker, and then knows not, nor does it feel fear of harm; that loving faith dispels all fear, and brings that sweet repose that only the free Christian conscience can realize. For it is one in God through Christ in the Holy Spirit, and feels the keenness of the divine eye that watches over him, and as the tired weary child can lay its head on its Father's bosom to rest in perfect confidence of an opening future, so may all these children that are here, lay their wearied souls in the spiritual arms of the great Father, feeling perfect trust and consciousness that He will care for them through the many changes of the spiritual growth, onward and upward, to celestial rest; for well does He know all of their needs, and not one that shall come to Him for help, shall be turned away.

"And may the spiritual blessing of His inward nature, prompt each child here, to work and pray for this end throughout eternity."

They sing, "Sweet spirit, peace we leave with thee."

OPENING.

They sing, "There is great joy in Heaven, over one sinner that repenteth."

Jesus in opening says, "I have come this morning as the husbandman, to plant anew the vineyard of the Lord, and

as I did of old, sow well the seed, so I trust this morning, that the seed may fall in good and genial soil, grow strong and thrifty, and render back to the great husbandman, after the angels shall have reaped it, an abundant harvest; that each seed may become fully ripe, without signs of decay, and as these thousands of spirits gathered here, being as they are, germs of life in the outward vineyard, to be replanted and gathered into the different circles and spheres, ripened according to their state and condition, seeking for and obtaining those rich particles of dew that fall in genial showers over them, to ripen them for the celestial centre.

"And when the spirit reaper comes, may he find them all ripe, and ready to be fully gathered in; and my spirit influence I would extend as drops of dew, to be absorbed into each soul, and help it onward to make progress to the end. I give my spirit blessing to all."

CONTINUATION OF NARRATIVE.

In continuation of the narrative, Jesus says, "This was the fifth day of my stay on the plains of Galilee, and whilst the company that were assembled with me were singing, they saw coming towards them, a large number of persons from Jerusalem. I was informed by spirits who were around me, the object of their coming. I spoke not, but continued praying and singing, and talking. The multitude who approached near to us, was composed of priests, rulers, soldiers, and the rabble who followed them, making several hundred in number; and as the company with me saw the soldiers begin to surround them, becoming frightened, separated, and endeavored to escape. I said, 'Fear not, stay! Not one sheep can be taken from the fold without the

shepherd's consent; for the Heavenly Father through me will protect you.' But fearing the rulers and priests, my adherents gathered close to me. One of the rulers, (a Roman officer,) commanded in the name of Cæsar, that I should surrender, and ordered the people to give me up. I answered not, but continued singing; and the officer said, 'open the way, that we may take this madman;' and drew his sword and was about to strike some of them with it. I cried with a loud voice, 'shed not innocent blood! Why have you come here to disturb our meeting? Have I not worked for good, doing harm to no one? And yet you seek to take my life, but that you cannot do; for I have not yet fulfilled the mission that was given me from Heaven.' The officer said, 'I command you in the name of Cæsar to deliver yourself to me a prisoner, on the charge of sedition and false teaching.' I answered, 'you cannot take me, and by the power of Heaven which overshadows me, you shall all be put to flight.' Then one of the fanatical priests said, 'I will take him,' and rushed forward to do it. But I spoke with a loud voice, and said, 'you vain boaster, stand!' And pointed with my finger towards him, and he instantly stood paralyzed, rigid and fixed as a statue, being powerless to move either his body, or eyes, or tongue.

"The officer then rushed forward with his sword uplifted, and attempted to take me, but I looked fixedly at him, and pointing towards him with my finger, he too was also paralyzed. The priests exclaimed, 'this man deceiveth the rulers and the people under pretence of being the Christ; he must not escape from us this time, close in upon him, and seize him;' and they rushed forward to do it. I, fearing not for myself, but that harm might come to the people who

had assembled to hear me, cried for help from Heaven, for a host of angels to protect me, and those who followed me, and said, 'now let the power of God be shown; if I am a true prophet, let it be proved here.'

"And all there, heard great noises from the sky, like thunder, and saw flashes of light, like lightning, and in a few seconds, the priests, rulers, and officers, were all laid prostrate on the ground; for each one had been struck down by the power that came through the lightning and the thunder; and the rabble that had followed them for the purpose of plunder, being frightened, ran off towards the city. I said, 'make an open space around me, and bring in the leading priest and officer near to me.' And they brought them and laid them down before me, they remaining speechless and insensible; and I waved my hand over them three times, and said, 'In the name of Heaven and by its law, again receive your senses; arise, stand upon your feet! I know what manner of men you are; you richly deserve punishment, for disturbing innocent and quiet people, who were holding a free and religious meeting; you supposed that you could take us unawares. You are living yet dead, deep died in sin and crime. You,' (pointing to the officer,) 'are a child of the devil, and the works of your Father you willingly do, for crimes unnumbered you have committed; men, women and children, you have often put to death in your vain ambition, thirsting for power, and their blood is now upon you; you are stained even to the soul centre, you are so wicked and corrupt. Your accusers now meet you face to face here.' And instantly, surrounding him, were seen the spirits of the men, women and children, whom he had murdered in cold blood."

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